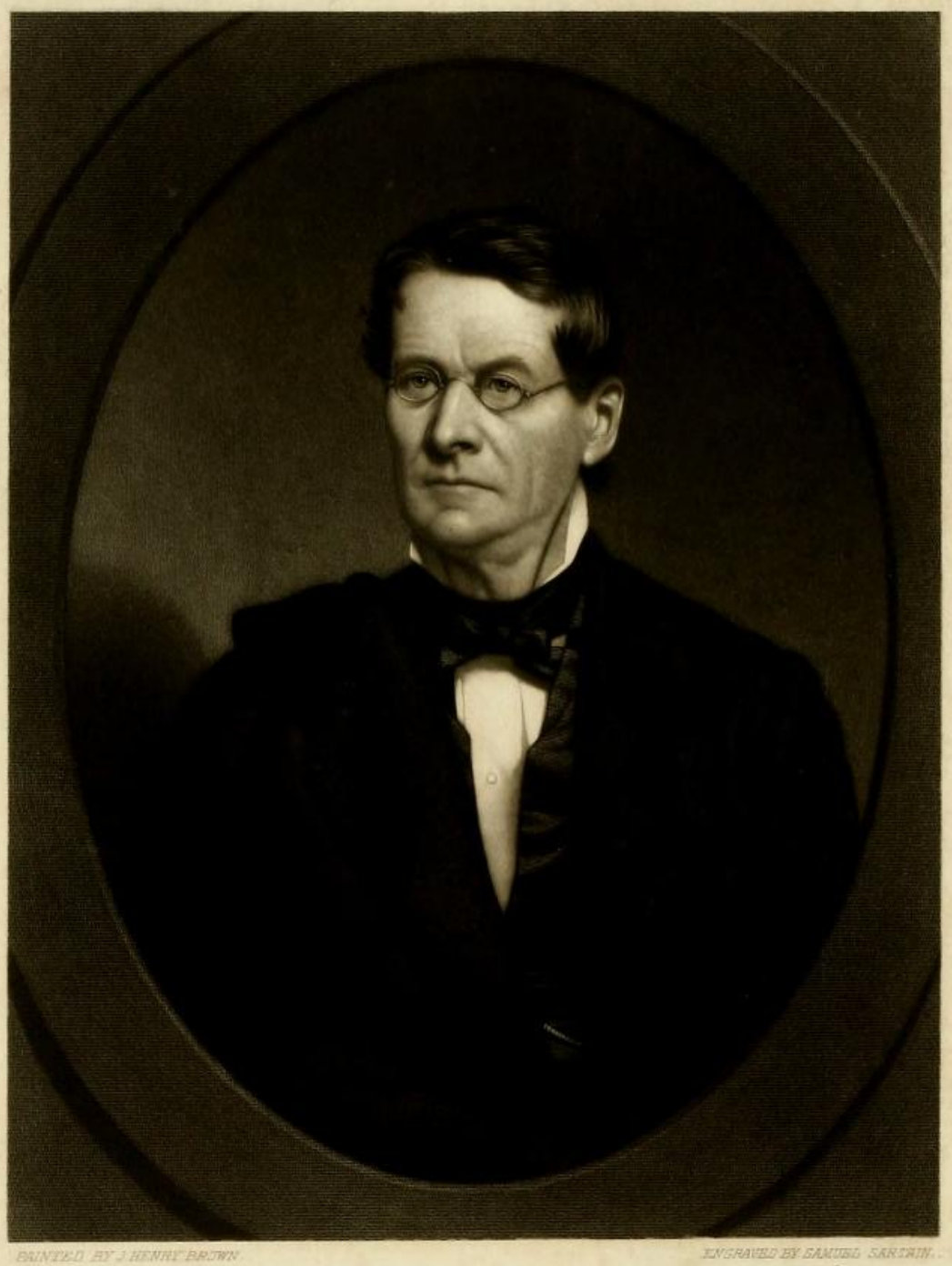

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PREFACE.

THE author began this work ten years ago, principally for his own edification; but, as he proceeded in his labors, his manuscript was sought after by many persons, who persuaded him to prepare it for the press. There are, doubtless, some mistakes in the work; as it is impossible at this late day to prepare genealogical statistics with perfect accuracy. There are many omissions; but he has done his utmost to include all by the name of Reed, with the collateral branches, so far as they could be obtained. He has written hundreds of letters of inquiry, to which he never received a response; and many others, to which the answers were so meagre, that little information could be obtained from them. He has spent much time and money in travelling to search old records, and has done all in his power to make them as full and complete as possible. Not a few, both ladies and gentlemen, were unable to give the Christian names of grandparents, — showing the deplorable neglect of many of their forefathers in preserving records of

family events; while others have provided him with much that is valuable and interesting, going back several generations. His massive accumulation of correspondence, and his copies of records, show a great variety of taste and disposition; and they are all preserved as mementoes for the perusal of coming generations.

The origin of the name, and other hypothetical remarks, at the commencement of the work, may be criticized and ridiculed by some who have never devoted much attention to the subject; but there is much more evidence to substantiate the theory of the author than a casual observer would suppose. If all the vouchers were inserted, the book would necessarily be too large. It is much easier for people to find fault with the work of others than to do it well themselves.

The body of the work is mostly taken from state, county, town, parish, church, and family records; but in some cases it consists merely of the oral statements of members of those particular families to which they have reference; while in most cases, where there were no records, different members of the same branch would differ in many points of their statements, and thus make it necessary to search for other proof to establish the facts.

If the subject had been postponed twenty years longer, much that is contained in this volume could

not have been obtained; for many who, ten years ago, stood as landmarks between the living and the dead, have gone to their rest.

The engravings have been procured at great expense, and are generally pronounced complete likenesses of those whom they are designed to represent.

The errors, so far as discovered by the author, are noticed at the end of the book. Those who find their individual record incomplete should turn to the Appendix, as all information obtained after printing the body of the work had to be thus inserted. The records here comprised are substantially all that can be obtained on the subject; and the blank leaves are inserted to enable each family to carry out their record in the book for generations to come.

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INTRODUCTION.

THE pedigree of different families has been kept up to some extent by almost all nations, so that every man could be called by the peculiar name and relation of his family. So strong was this habit in ancient times, that a man without a pedigree was considered equivalent to being without a parent; as was Melchisedek, King of Salem. As far as my observation extends, the practice of retaining a pedigree first fell into disuse among the Americans soon after the country began to be settled by European emigrants, who came here during the seventeenth century; and for the following reasons: First, the most of those who came here were in better circumstances at home than they were after their arrival here; but, having spent all their means in emigration, they were obliged to remain. Having been misled by designing and interested men to believe that America was a land which possessed every thing desirable, a large proportion of the emigrants were sanguine in the expectation of bettering their temporal condition by emigration; very much as people were misled by exaggerated statements in reference to California, and as they have always been misled by representations in reference to the West. But in former days it cost a fortune to come from

Europe to America; and those who embarked in such an enterprise generally had to give up all they possessed, or a great proportion of it, to get here. Many of them who had the means returned to England; but those who had not were obliged to make the best of a bad bargain. They had abandoned all hope or expectation of any remittances from Europe. Many had been outlawed, and dared not go back. They had turned their backs on all beyond sea; and, under such circumstances, it was most congenial to their feelings to bury the whole subject in oblivion. It was accordingly annoying to them to converse on the subject; and, to a great extent, they refrained from conversation in reference to these matters in the presence of their children. Their location and pecuniary circumstances also combined to cause the interest in genealogy to abate, as they were scattered over a large extent of country. And what attention and strength was not exercised in defending themselves, their wives and children, from the tomahawk, was required to clear the land, to build the cottages and barns, to dig stumps and stones, to build bridges, and erect meeting-houses and schoolhouses; and the taste for all kinds of knowledge, not called into immediate use to accomplish these and kindred objects, necessarily ceased.

When these difficulties ceased in some measure to be objects of solicitude, and they had greatly overcome these almost overwhelming difficulties; when the howl of the wild beast and Indian had become in some degree silenced, and, in their stead, had been reared in every town the parish-church, with its spire pointing towards heaven; when their children began to move to the sound of the church-going bell, and peace and comfort seemed to dawn upon them, — then the French War broke out, with all the terrors of the French and Indians combined: and, as soon

as they had overcome the innumerable evils of this war, that of the Revolution commenced, which called into service all the men that could be spared from the plough; and much of the labor of the husbandman had to be done by females.

The next generation was agitated by another war with the mother-country; so that, till recently, the people had no time to spare to study the virtues, the achievements, the mental qualities, the political condition, or physical constitution, of their ancestors. The first white inhabitants of this country were better educated than their children. They were brought up in Europe; and a large proportion of them, being younger sons of the landed gentry and of wealthy tradesmen, had all the care bestowed upon them necessary in those days to fit them for the various civil and military stations of life, which were at that time filled generally by that class, as was the case with the ecclesiastical. In short, the various responsible offices and duties of life were at that time filled by the younger sons; and even tradesmen and mechanics were of that class, as none could be put to trades without paying a considerable sum of money in addition to their personal service; which made mechanical pursuits beyond the reach of the poor.

It was likewise a time of the greatest religious controversy ever known in Europe; and these people had been proscribed on account of their theological opinions. This controversy was carried on not only in public places, but even in private life, and intruded itself on the sacredness of the family circle; so that, in many cases, a man's foes were emphatically those of his own household. The father would generally be more conservative than his children; and the elder son, aware of his rights by seniority, would naturally take the course most likely to be in keeping with government and the laws: while the younger sons, with less

of the world to control their course, were not so politic, but more sincere and enthusiastic.

From these and kindred circumstances, the controversy was warmest, and the bickerings most severe, in the domestic circle. On this account, many left wealthy parents and responsible stations, and sought an asylum in the wilds of America; and, when they departed from Catholic Europe, they turned their backs on their Catholic friends whom they had left behind.

It was impossible for such people, unaccustomed to hardship, and surrounded by wild beasts and savage Indians, to educate their children. Consequently, the first generations of those born in this country could not so well preserve written details, — a fact which appears by the church and town records. Even up to the period of the Revolution, education was in so low a state, that many distinguished officers and statesmen were unable to write a legible hand, and others were unskilled in orthography. But, since some attention has been paid to genealogical research, it is found that these persons were descended from illustrious families in Europe.

Since the people of this country have overcome the effects of the various wars in which they have been engaged, more attention has been paid to education; and, of late, genealogy has brought many curious and interesting reminiscences to light, and, as the community wakes up to the subject, will probably bring to light many more. Some, who scarcely knew any of their ancestors farther back than grandfather, can now trace their genealogy to the Norman Conquest, and the blood in their veins to noblemen and kings.

There is still in the minds of many a prejudice against paying any attention to the history of their ancestors: but the feeling is fast wearing away; and the people are now gratified in receiving information on the subject, though

few are willing to devote to it that time and expense which its importance demands.

The question has been often asked me, and doubtless has been put to others, What do you expect to gain by it? By some I have been asked, if I was induced to devote so much of my time and money to the subject, from the expectation of being able to distribute an English fortune among the Reeds of this country. In answer to all such inquiries, I can say, that though there are large estates in England, which, if they could prove heirship, would go to the Reeds of America, yet, for the want of such proof, none of it will ever be obtained. But I feel compensated, from day to day, by the information which I obtain, and by the satisfaction which it affords me. Though laughed at, and called a monomaniac on the subject, I have received a constant remuneration in the new discoveries which I have made.

It is the sincere desire of the author, that those of his name and blood may experience as much satisfaction in the perusal of the work as he has had in preparing it; and that they will regard it, on his part, as a labor of love. He is confident that all who have the blood of the Reeds flowing in their veins will feel interested in perusing these pages.

He congratulates his friends that he has been able to demonstrate that the Reeds are of no mean origin; that, though their connection with thrones and empires has long since ceased to exist, they have been, and are at the present day, a powerful race, and, as a body, have acted well their part on the stage on which they have been placed.

I have learned, by the investigations I have made, the peculiar mould and cast of mind which has shown itself in my ancestors, in different ages and under different circumstances, for several hundred years; also their physical strength and developments, the adaptedness of my race to

certain occupations, and their average length of life. I can say from observation, that, unless through gross carelessness, but few of them die of pulmonary complaints. They generally live to old age; eighty-five or ninety, or even a hundred years, being nothing unusual. They are capable of great endurance, especially under opposition; and possess a determined will and perseverance, which generally carry them through whatever they mean to accomplish. I have seen much in them that is praiseworthy, — much worth imitation, and less to be condemned.

The race of Reeds was originally of large and almost gigantic size and strength. This is supported by the accounts we have of them when they fought the Caledonians and Romans. Their fiery and poisonous darts struck terror into the hearts of the Roman soldiers, and put them to flight. Ancient statues also represent them to be of an uncommon size; and, at the present day, they are generally taller than the average of men.

They are to be found in all parts of the civilized world, especially in England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, and the adjacent islands, as well as in Germany and America. They are mixed with all classes of society, and pursue all branches of business. In intellect they are above mediocrity. Some are in possession of great wealth, and only a few of them are really what is called poor. They have generally been found ready, in times of emergency, to place themselves in the front rank of danger, in order to defend their country and its laws; and have been always willing to encounter difficulty and hardship for the community, being strangers to fear, and exhibiting their true character best when opposed or persecuted. An instance of this force of will is exhibited in the conduct of Gen. Reid, of Londonderry, N.H. He had been appointed by Gov. Sullivan Commander-in-chief of the troops raised to put down

Shay's Rebellion. The townsmen of Gen. Reid sympathized strongly with the Shay party, and were very indignant at Gen. Reid for accepting the appointment. On the succeeding night, when people might be supposed to be in sound sleep, he saw from his chamber-window a large number of men approaching the house, armed with all manner of offensive weapons, evidently with an intent against his person. He raised the window, and told them that the man who advanced another step would be shot. His manner and known determination of character convinced them at once that he would act as he said, and that they were fortunate in being thus timely discovered by him when they were at such a safe distance. He then took advantage of the impression he had made, to give them some wise and wholesome advice relative to their duty as citizens; and, when he had brought his harangue to a close, the parties separated, — the mob to their several homes, and he to quiet slumber. The next sabbath morning, he received an early call from the venerable pastor of the parish to suggest the propriety of his staying at home that day, on account of the fury of the populace; but his reply was, that he should be in church at the proper hour. He was accordingly there; but his determined countenance and his reputation were sufficient to keep the people under restraint, and no violence was done to him. He lived long enough to convince his townsmen of the justness of the cause he had espoused; and they loved and respected him the more for his independence of character.

But few of those bearing the name of Reed have ever been a public charge, or inmates of penitentiaries. They have been usually of a religious turn of mind, being firm supporters of the institution of the gospel; but they are fond of mirth and fun, — a propensity which seems to run through all of the name within my observation.

Having gone thus far, I hope to be indulged in noting one custom which has to some extent prevailed among the Reeds: I mean that of their marrying relatives. This practice grew out of the exclusiveness of society in Puritan times, and perhaps, in some cases, to save property in the family: but its consequences have been injurious; many of the offspring of such marriages dying in infancy, early youth, or middle age, and but few of them living to advanced years; to say nothing of cases where the effect has been still more melancholy.

HISTORY OF THE REEDS.

CHAPTER I.

ORIGIN OF THE NAME, AND HISTORY OF THE CLANS.

REED, Read, Reid, Rede, Red, Rad, Rheade, Rheadus, Wrede, Whrede, Reda, Rada, Redha, Wada, Wrade, Raad, Ried, are all derived from the word RHEA, which had its origin in Phœnicia; having been used soon after the dispersion of the people in consequence of the confusion of language at Babylon. Rhea was a name given to the Goddess Ops, the daughter of Cœlus and Terra. She was the sister and wife of Saturn, by whom she had Vesta, Ceres, Juno, Pluto, Neptune, &c., whom her husband devoured. Her next son was Jupiter. Her residence was on Cybele, one of the mountains of Phrygia in Asia Minor. She was worshipped in that part of the world, and was a ruling deity. Her name was in some form attached to many persons and places in Phœnicia and Asia Minor, and was identified with government and rulers. The nations that were her votaries became more advanced in commerce and civilization than those around them.

Across the corner of the Mediterranean Sea stood the city of Tyre, the capital of ancient Phœnicia, as its name implies; and Ruad, or Raad, was in its neighborhood. The

word Tyre probably meant the ruling city, or the city of the tyrant, or king. All governments were then despotic. "King" and "tyrant" were synonymous terms; and it only became necessary to know that a city or country had a tyrant to know that he was a king: and the fact of his being a king also gave the assurance that he was a tyrant; each of the words implying one who ruled. The word Esau seems to be the word "red," or "read," in another dialect; and the Red Sea is in some books called the Read Sea, as was also the Arabian Sea. The name Esau meant "the elder," or one having the rights of primogeniture; as Jacob meant "the younger," or one without those rights. The rights of seniority were very early established, and the elder was in all cases considered the ruler; while the Jacobins, or Jameses, or the younger, were the subjects. Esau was called the Red, being one of the greatest men of his time; his country, Edom, or Red; as the Erythræan Sea, contiguous to his dominions, was called the Read or Red Sea.

Phœnicia, Edom, and Asia Minor, were in advance of their neighbors in commerce and civilization. They so far excelled in manufactures and colors, that the rulers of other countries sought their fabrics for their kingly robes; and thus the passage of Scripture: "Who is this that cometh from Edom with dyed garments?" &c. These dyed garments were called red, having reference to Edom, or the country, with a ruler or king; as the fabrics of the present day are called damask. The word "read" and its affinities are used at the present day among many nations in that part of the world.

One of the principal cities of Persia is called by that name; and some of the rulers of India have a title which probably originated from the same source as "raja," or "rajah," for king. The word has at times been partly

altered for the sake of euphony, or to suit the idiom of other dialects, and has been more or less connected with other words, making a union of both definitions: as, Ethelred, or Reed the Good; Conrad, or Reed the Powerful; Eldred, or Reed the Elder; Remus, belonging to the State; and Regina, Queen.

Among the class of words belonging to this stock, in addition to those already mentioned, are Wraid, Rade, Gerard, Gerarden, Rath, regium, reign, regent, regalia, reason, rhetoric; and also the compound of other words, as Erythræan, Tyrrhenian, Reate, Rages (now called Rei), Regia, Rhenus, Rhedarian, Rheidlingine, Reedel (or Riddle), Redesdale, Dalraid, Dalreda, and many others.

At a later period, the word became more extended in its signification, and implied counsel, advice, wisdom, &c. Still later, it meant one who could read, or the act of reading; as so few understood the art of reading, that one Bible was sufficient for a parish; and, the holy book being chained to the desk, a person would be employed to read as a clerk. This last expression gave rise to the word "clergy," or "clergyman;" meaning one who can read. The art of reading was considered so beneficial to the public, that all who understood it were entitled to the benefit of clergy; which phrase meant boring in the hand, or other corporeal punishment, for crimes committed, instead of death.

The following is the definition given by Noah Webster: —

"Sax. *ræd, rad, red,* speech, discourse, counsel, advice, knowledge, benefit, *reason; rædan, redan,* to read, to decree, to appoint, to command, to rule or govern, to conjecture, to give or take counsel; *arædan,* to read, to tell, to narrate; *gerædan,* to read, to consult; *gerad,* mode, condition or state, reason, ratio or account, knowledge, instruction or learning, and, as an adjective or participle, knowing, instructed, *ready,* suited; *gerad beon,* to be *ready,* to accord or agree; *geradod,* excited, quick. These significations unite this word with *ready;* which see. Ger. *rede,*

speech, talk, account; *reden*, to speak. Dut. *rede*, speech; *reden*, reason. Dan. *rede*, account and *ready*. Ger. *bereden*, to *berate; rath*, advice, counsel, a council or senate; *rathen*, to advise, to conjecture or guess, to solve a *riddle*. Dut. *raad*, counsel, advice; *raaden*, to counsel. Swed. *rad*, Dan. *raad*, counsel; *rada*, *raader*, to counsel, to instruct. Wel. *rhaith*, straight, right (that is, set right), decision, verdict; *rheitheg*, rhetoric, from *rhaith*. Dan. *ret*, law, justice, right, *reason*. Swed. *ratt*, *ratta*, id. Ir. *radh*, a saying; *radham*, to say, tell, relate. Wel. *adrawz*, to tell or rehearse. Gr. ῥεω, for ῥεθω, to say or tell, to flow; ῥητωρ, a speaker, a *rhetorician*. Goth. *rodyan*, to speak. The primary sense of *read* is, to speak, to utter; that is, to push, drive, or advance. This is also the primary sense of *ready;* that is, prompt, or advancing quick. The Sax. *gerad*, ready, accords also in elements with the Wel. *rhâd*, Lat. *gratia;* the primary sense of which is, prompt to favor, advancing towards, free. The elements of these words are the same as those of *ride*, and Lat. *gradior*, &c. The sense of *reason* is secondary, — that which is uttered, said, or set forth; hence counsel also. The Swed. *ratta*, Dan. *ret*, if not contracted words, are from the same root."

The present different methods of spelling the word arise, in a great measure, from fancy; there being not less than eleven orthographical forms, in which the natural result is the same. The mode of spelling in use by our Puritan ancestors was usually Reade, but, in some cases, Reede; and one of them spelled it Rede. One who figured with Napoleon I. spelled his name Wrede. A Bavarian general, who fought against Napoleon at the head of the Bavarian troops, wrote it Reid. His biographers, however, sometimes wrote it Ried. The Irish formerly spelled it Reedha, or Redha; from which came "ready." The Scotch method was formerly Raid. The mode of spelling the name in this country has gradually assumed one of the three following forms; namely, Read, Reed, and Reid: but it affords no clew to the history of the word, as different members of the same family use all these methods.

It was common, in the infancy of governments, for kings and princes, who had been vanquished in the more civilized countries, to steal away with their effects and retainers, to

seek an asylum in the wilds of Europe, and, by superior skill, flattery, and strategem, or by marriage, to work themselves into the good graces of the barbarous tribes among whom they sought shelter: as was the case with Dido, the Carthaginian queen, who fled from her oppressive brother Pygmalion, the King of Tyre, after he had murdered her husband; or like Æneas, who, after the sacking and destruction of Troy, sought a place of settlement, and finally presented his suit to Latinus, the King of the Latins, for the hand of Lavinia, his only daughter, — by that alliance becoming successor to the throne of his father-in-law, and ancestor to the founder of the Roman Empire.

Many more instances might be named where vanquished rulers became refugees among an uncivilized and barbarous people, and worked their way into power by dint of superior skill or valor: as Cecrops, the founder of Athens; Cadmus the Phœnician, who introduced alphabetic writing into Greece, and founded Thebes in Bœotia; Danaüs, the founder of Argos; Pelops the Phrygian, whose descendants, intermarrying with those of Tyndareus, King of Lacedæmon, acquired the ascendency in Greece.

About fourteen hundred years before the Christian era, Teucer, a native of Crete (now Candia), led, in time of famine, a company to a promontory on the shore of the Hellespont, and became the founder of the Trojans. He introduced the worship of Cybele, who, according to heathen mythology, was the mother of the gods; and gave to the mountains of Phrygia the name of Ida, from a mountain by that name in Crete; and to many other locations Cretan names, among which was Miletus, — a city so called, as tradition says, from Miletus, the son of Apollo, but probably from a city of that name in the island. The goddess was called Cybele from Mount Cybele in Phrygia, and was believed to be the common parent of all the inhabitants of

the earth. She was called Rhea from her being the ruling deity, and from the benefits and patronage she distributed to all her votaries. The promontory on which Teucer landed and settled was called Rhæteum. This Cybele became the tutelar deity of that region. These emigrants were a commercial people, and were called Milesian merchants. One method used in those times to increase trade was to establish colonies in other parts of the world, and to extend traffic through them; which was done by the inhabitants of Miletus and other commercial cities.

A colony of this kind was established in Italy, the founder of which was Tyrrhenus. The city of Reate (now Rieti) was built by this colony, as were also Ravenna and Veii. The sea contiguous was called the Tyrrhenian Sea. This colony was vanquished by the Gauls about three hundred and eighty-nine years before Christ; and a portion fled to the north of Italy, where they established their new home, and called it Rhætia, which comprised what is now the Tyrol and a part of Bavaria. One portion of the Alps is, at the present time, called the Rhætian Alps. The inhabitants of ancient Rhætia were called Rhedarians, — a name which was undoubtedly derived originally from Rhea. The river Rhine has its source in ancient Retia, and was formerly called Rhenus. The government of Rhætia was made tributary to Rome, by Nero, in the year of Christ 50; and the inhabitants were overrun and partially conquered by the Alemanni, or Germans, about the commencement of the third century. Some of the remnant of the nation of Rhedarians continued to lurk about their old homes; and were finally overrun by Otho, Emperor of Germany, in the tenth century. In time, they became amalgamated with their conquerors; but some of their ancient towns and cities retained their former names, being slightly altered to suit the idiom of the languages now in use. The Alemanns

were in their turn superseded in the sixth century by an association of German tribes called Bavarians. This accounts for the existence of Reads in Bavaria, and for names of places in Bavaria which retain the name in connection with some other word indicating their location or history: as Rednitz, on the borders of Regia; and Reidlinggine, meaning "the place of the Reids." It is a very common name in the German States, and is abbreviated from Rhedarium. Some of the descendants of the ancient Rhedarians may have found their way to England at the time of the Saxon invasion, and retained the name; but I think it is very clear that the Reads of England, Scotland, and Ireland, went there by a different route.

About fourteen or fifteen hundred years before the Christian era, there prevailed a general fever for Western emigration, which was resorted to by tribes, who selected some new location in order to get better feeding-places for their flocks, or for purposes of plunder. The only method then known of obtaining possession of a desired spot was by what we now term "fillibustering;" as was the case with the Cretan Teucer and his company, from whom arose the Rhedarians, Dalraids, Reedhas, or Reeds. The advent of the Israelites into the land of Canaan was in keeping with the spirit of the times. The stronger would drive out the weaker; and the vanquished were under the necessity of expelling some nation weaker than themselves, in order to gain a habitation: and thus a general commotion prevailed.

The children of Israel fixed on the land of Canaan for their portion; and the Phœnician States, comprising Tyre and Sidon, were set off to the tribe of Ashur. Though these never got possession of either, their conquests in the neighborhood, and almost certain success in every engagement, filled the minds of the Phœnicians with fear. The latter were a commercial people; their property consisting

of ships and merchandise, with silver and gold, precious stones, &c.

The people generally were very ignorant of the country; and the popular opinion was that the limits of the world in this direction were what were called the Pillars of Hercules (now Gibraltar) and a mountain on the opposite side of the straits. This place was supposed to be the gates, or entrance, to the infernal regions, or dominions of Pluto; but, to the Phœnician or Milesian merchants, this belief was known to be ignorant superstition. The Tyrians had established a colony a little beyond the gates, to which they gave the name of Gades (now Cadiz), where they traded, and extended their commerce through the colonists to the natives of Spain. This place became a rendezvous for their shipping in sailing and trading along the coast; and while the other inhabitants of Asia, Europe, and Africa, knew comparatively nothing of that section, the Phœnicians and Milesians had become fully acquainted with the coast of Ireland.

About five hundred years before the Christian era, the Athenians having burned the city of Sardis, — the capital of Lydia, one of the provinces of the Persian Empire, — the Persians became enraged, and began to invade the Grecian States contiguous to them with an immense army. The city of Miletus was next in importance to that of Tyre, and was one of the twelve cities which constituted the confederacy of Ionia, — one of the Grecian States. A company of merchants from Miletus, Erythræ, and other confederate cities of Ionia, rather than suffer the evils of a Persian invasion, fled with their shipping, effects, and retainers. They visited the friendly colonies along their route, and made headquarters at Gades; and, from that place, an expedition was fitted out against Ireland, which they conquered, and divided into two kingdoms. The capital of one they called

Ballyreda, which is in the county of Westmeath, and, in English, means Reedstown : the capital of the other kingdom was Regia Altera (now Limerick). These invaders were called Gadelians by the Romans, because they came upon the Roman frontier through the gates of the infernal regions, and were believed to be the subjects of old Pluto.

The figure drawn by St. Paul, in describing the armor of God necessary to withstand the fiery darts of the wicked, may have had reference to these fillibusters, as it describes their weapons and mode of warfare. Their most ancient coat-of-arms also had upon it the poisoned or bloody dart. The Romans, also having a nation of Rhedarians on their frontier in Italy, were under the necessity of distinguishing them by different names; and the name of Gadelian was a very proper phrase to express the character of the people referred to. The inhabitants of ancient Erin called them Dalredas, or Dalredhas. The Caledonians called them Dalraids. On account of their intruding themselves upon the ancient inhabitants, and taking possession of their estates, they were called Scuits, or "wanderers," — a phrase which gave name to Scotland. Surnames were not in use till about the year 1170; but clans had appropriate names, which some retained; and others took such names as had reference to their location, occupation, or some peculiarity or achievement.

The Dalraids crossed over from Ireland to Caledonia, and so annoyed the Caledonians and the Romans, that, in order to keep them back, the latter built the wall called Agricola's, running from the Frith of Forth to the Clyde. Prince Reda and his knights scaled the wall, and put the Romans to flight, A.D. 180. After he had got possession of that part of England and Caledonia, the Romans (A.D. 210) built the wall, running from Newcastle to Carlisle, called Adrian's.

The Dalraids kept possession of the territory between the two walls, constituting a portion of the county of Northumberland. They finally conquered Caledonia, A.D. 843; and the Britons, as a sort of reproach, afterwards called it Scuitland, or a land of interlopers, or wanderers. The predatory excursions of these people were called "raids."

The Reads, or Reeds, of England descended from the above Raids, Reeds, or Reedhas; and I am able to trace the principal families to them.

The river Tyne, in the north of England, is so called from its having tynes, or branches, — one of which is called North Tyne; another, South Tyne. A third branch, taking its rise in Carterfell, and other highlands between England and Scotland, is the river Reed. The valley through which the stream winds its way to its mouth is Redesdale, comprising a portion of Northumberland. This territory formed the principal seat of the border wars. On the banks of the river Reed was fought the bloody battle of Otterburne, or Otterbrook, at the junction of a small stream by that name with the Reed Waters, as the river is called by Sir Walter Scott. This battle is sometimes called the battle of Chevychase; meaning a chase, or park, for deer. Upon the edge of Carterfell — a mountain between England and Scotland — is Reed's Square, — a corruption of wear, a Scotch phrase for a fort or castle, — named in honor of Sir Reginald Reed, who was distinguished in the Border wars. Following the stream down, the ruins of several Reed castles and fortifications may be seen. Some splendid castles still occupied by persons of the same name and blood are also found; among which is Chipchase Castle, not far from the junction of the Reed with the Tyne.

It may not be inappropriate here to give some further description of the territory between the wall of Agricola and that of Adrian; it being the hive from which a large

portion of the ancestors of the English and American Reeds originated. It is bounded east by the North Sea, and extends westerly to the river Tweed, on the borders of Scotland; southerly to the Cheviot Hills, Carterfell, and the disputed grounds; easterly by the river Tyne and Adrian's Wall; and forms a barony by the name of Redesdale. John Thomas Freeman Mitford — a descendant of Robert Mitford, otherwise Robert of Redesdale — is the present Baron of Redesdale; who was born Sept. 9, 1785, and succeeded to the barony on the death of his father, Jan. 16, 1830. He is a prominent member of the House of Lords.

The scenes in Scott's novels and poetical works are laid here. The territory is rich in monuments of the past, — in the relics of the superstitious ceremonies of the Druids, and in the ruins of ancient Roman roads, fortifications, and towns. The wild and unfrequented glens, desolate moors, interspersed with rich alluvial valleys, splendid towns, villages, and castles; chases, parks, and forests; with the history of momentous events, — make Redesdale a romantic and interesting spot. This is the first starting-point of the Reeds of England and Scotland. Many of the name still remain there, scattered through the towns, cities, and rural districts.

Among the relics of former days at Risingham, — the Roman name of which is Habitancum, — on the banks of the river Reed, upon an eminence covered with scattered birches and fragments of rock, there is cut in *alto relievo* a remarkable figure called Robin of Redesdale; which, if adapted to our language, would be Robert Reed. Tradition says he was murdered by his brother, who lived at Woodburn (otherwise Woodbrook), an adjoining parish. The figure represents a man of large size, dressed in armor, and called by the peasantry in the neighborhood "the

Giant." This Robin of Redesdale (meaning the Dale of Prince Rheda) flourished in the fifteenth century, and was associated with Earl Warwick. He fought and conquered the Earl of Pembroke, in the year 1470, at Danesmore, near Edgecoat in Northamptonshire, about three miles from Banbury. His name was Robert; and he took the name of Mitford, from a fording-place near his residence, to distinguish him from another of the same name. The monument was on his own estate, and intended to perpetuate his memory for his valor and success in the Border wars.

Further up the river is the Pringle, — a small stream which empties into the Reed. Tradition says that Percival or Percy Reed, Esq., fell into the hands of a company of moss-troopers, who robbed and murdered him at Batinghope, — a place on the banks of this stream; and that his spirit haunts the Pringle.

Another legend is, that Mr. Reed, of Bowland, — a gentleman of landed property in the Vale of Gala, — was prosecuted for a very considerable sum, — the accumulated arrears of teind, or tithe, — for which he was said to be indebted to a noble family, the titulars of the tithes. Mr. Reed was strongly impressed with the belief that his father had in his lifetime, by a form of process peculiar to the law of Scotland, purchased these lands; and that the present prosecution was groundless. But after an industrious search among his papers, an investigation of public records, and a careful inquiry among all persons who had transacted law-business with his father, no evidence could be obtained to support his defence. The period had now arrived at which he considered the loss of his case as inevitable; and he had formed his determination to ride to Edinburgh the next day, and make the best bargain he could by way of compromise. He went to bed with this resolution, and with all the circumstances of the case floating in his mind,

and had the following dream: His father, who had been dead many years, appeared, as he thought, to him, and asked him why he was troubled in mind. Mr. Reed thought that he informed his father of the cause of his distress; adding, that it was more distressing on account of knowing that it was not due, though he was unable to produce satisfactory evidence to the contrary. "You are right, my son," replied the paternal shade. "The papers to prove the same are in the hands of Mr. ——, an attorney, who has retired from business, and resides at Ivernisk, near Edinburgh. He was a person whom I employed on that occasion for a particular reason, but who had never done any business for me at any other time. It is possible that you may find the evidence there. He may have forgotten it: but you may refresh his memory by the circumstance, that we had some difficulty in making change, as I offered him a Portuguese piece of money; and that we drank the balance at a public house." Mr. Reed awoke in the morning with the full force of the vision upon his mind, and immediately set out for Ivernisk, and found the person described in the dream to be a very old man. Upon making the inquiry, the old gentleman could not recollect the circumstance; but, on mention of the piece of money, it became fresh to his recollection, and he found the papers necessary for Mr. Reed to prove his case.

The theory of Sir Walter Scott is, that this dream was only the recapitulation in the mind of the sleeper of what he had learned from his father, while awake, many years before, but had forgotten it; there being nothing strange in people's recovering, while asleep, the thread of some idea forgotten while awake. It may be added, that this remarkable circumstance was attended with bad consequences to Mr. Reed, whose health and spirits were afterwards impaired by the continual contemplation of the matter.

Many more interesting legends, which would fill a volume, might be told of the Valley of Redesdale. Some of the present names of towns and parishes are a corruption of a former word, which was derived from Reed; as Redsford for Reedsford, Radham for Reedham, and Riddle for Redesdale.

One of the most important towns of Redesdale is Morpeth, on the Wensbach River, — a small stream emptying into the North Sea.

The Reeds are numerous, from the fact that they are descended from a clan, or nation, and not from an individual. Though they have taken their origin from Aschanaz, the great-grandson of Noah, they have had an opportunity of becoming a numerous people; and, whatever their reputation might have been when the world was in a state of barbarity, they have, since mankind emerged from darkness, filled their places well, and have been among the leading men in this country and in Europe. They have generally been of a religious cast. But few have been found among the inmates of penitentiaries or alms-houses.

As the line of England and Scotland was constantly changing according to the valor and strength of parties, the Reeds became mixed up, more or less, with both nations. And as borderers in all nations are more exposed to the depredations of the enemy, so they have the better chance of distinguishing themselves; consequently are more likely to be promoted in civil departments. This was the case with the Reeds of the English and Scotch borders. They were connected with the royal family of England long before the days of William the Conqueror. There was Withred, King of Kent, in the seventh century; Ethelred, or Read the Good, King of England, in 866; Alfred, or Reed the Shrewd, in 871; Eldred, or Reed the Elder, in 946; Ethelred the Second, in 978; and when William the Conqueror took

possession of the English throne, in 1066, the legal heir to the throne was brother-in-law to the King of Scotland. Nations have in all ages united as much by marriage as by war. The Reeds were of Celtic origin, and the most powerful noblemen were of Saxon blood. Much jealousy existed between the two races. Edward the Confessor, son of Ethelred, being aware that his lineal descendants did not possess the energy and power to hold the crown against the opposition of the Saxon nobles, made a compact with his cousin, the Duke of Normandy, by which William was to have the crown at his decease; the crown being then in the power of the king to dispose of like other property. Harold, the son of Earl Godwin, represented the Saxon stock, and was placed on the throne by that interest. It should be here understood, that, when English historians speak of the people, they mean only the nobility; as the common people then had no more voice in matters of state than the kids upon the Cheviot hills. William came over from France to carry out the provisions of the compact; and Harold, in behalf of the nobles, met him, and was slain. Thus ended the struggle which had been carried on between the two races, and which had been the means of inviting the Danes, at several different times, to land upon the English shores, being encouraged by existing jealousies between the races. There appears to have been no difficulty between William and the descendants of Ethelred; the legal heir waiving his claim, and the son of William marrying the heiress: and both houses merged into one in the children of Henry; he being descended from Alfred, by both father and mother.

The Reeds were among the reigning princes of Northumberland, Kent, Wessex, and Mercia, and seem to have been of the same blood; and political alliances existed between them.

Before proceeding any further, it will be proper to give the definition of some ancient English and Scottish words which are in some way connected with this subject: viz., a "town" is a settlement containing sufficient inhabitants to be entitled to a market; a "village" is a settlement of somewhat less inhabitants than a town; a "hamlet" is less than a village; and a "court" is the manor of a nobleman or gentleman, containing the mansion and dwellings of less magnitude for the residence of his retainers and peasants. Towns or villages in England, ending with "ham," were once hamlets; and the first part of the word, in most cases, though not always, was the name of the principal owner. In the course of time, the last syllable was dispensed with; and, in some cases, the word "hamlet" has become wholly disused. In others, the orthography is slightly altered, so that the original cannot be identified without care and attention. As for instance: the word "Renham" was, originally, "Reed's hamlet;" and, in the course of time, the last syllable and one of the "e's" were omitted, the name being pronounced Redham; and, by substituting an "n" for a "d," it became Renham. A similar fate has followed the names of many other places. Other words have been not only abbreviated, but have entirely lost their original significance. Thus Sussex was South Saxony, or the southern settlement of the Saxons in England; Essex was East Saxony, or the eastern settlement; Wessex was the western settlement; Middlesex was the middle settlement; and Norfolk was the north folks. Norwich was the northern bailiwick, or sheriffdom; Canterbury was the place of the principal castle for the kingdom of Kent, as "bury" meant castle; and Kent has been somewhat altered by substituting an *e* for an *a*. Dorchester meant the place of keeping the chest, or public depository, for the county of Dorset. The word Exeter meant, "towards the river Exe." Newcastle denoted the

castle built after the erection of Adrian's Wall. In reference to the name of Reading there is some doubt; for English historians, being disposed to give a Saxon origin to every thing, suggest that ancient Reading was derived either from the river (Rhea), or from Redin, the English word for "fern," which they say grew in great abundance thereabouts. This fact would probably apply to many other places in England, if we go back to a time anterior to agriculture: but the town is called, in the Saxon annals, Reading, Redding, and Raeding; and, being in the vicinity of several of the Read establishments, it is full as reasonable to suppose that they gave the name to it. We know that many of the towns by that name in America were so called in honor of individuals by the name of Reed or Read, who were prominent in the first settlement of their respective towns; and others were named from Reading in England. Places ending with "ford" had, before the introduction of bridges, reference to a fording-place across a body of water; as Bradford, in ancient times, meant Brad's fording-place. The word "burn," annexed to many ancient towns and parishes, had reference to some brook: consequently the word Otterburn would be better understood at the present day if called Otterbrook; and the same would be true of Bannockburn, and all other places of the same termination.

Many counties and towns in the United States took their names from places in England, Scotland, or Ireland, without much reference to the original meaning; as Boston, in Massachusetts, from Boston, in the county of Lincoln, England; Plymouth, from Plymouth in England; Reading in Pennsylvania, and Reading in Massachusetts, from Reading in England. The names of persons have undergone as great a change as those of places. Thus a Welshman, having pierced the eye of an English officer, received the surname of Pierce-eye, which originated the name Percy.

The same is now Pierce, or Pearce. The name of Peabody meant "mountain-man," and had reference to the remnant of the subjects of Boadicea, an English queen, who was taken prisoner by the Romans, and the remnant of her army fled to the mountains of Wales, and were called Peabodies, or "mountain-men." Winn is said to be an abbreviation of Llewellyn, the Welsh prince who was taken and slain by Edward I.; Parker, from one who was keeper of a park; Forester, from one who was keeper of a forest, and the name became Foster.

Some surnames have a significance of their own, as being illegitimate descendants of princes and noblemen, particularly all names ending with "son," as Johnson and Peterson: the former meaning the illegitimate descendants of John; and the latter, those of Peter. The name of Perry is said to be a corruption of Ap Harry, or the son of Henry.

The first notice taken of any person by the name of Rede, in Kent, was Withred, King of Kent, in the seventh century. Their seat was at Rede, in the hundred of Merdinnie, the modern name of which is Marden. There was John, of this place, in the muster-roll of William the Conqueror, A.D. 1075; and a John of Merdinnie sold the manor of Silham in Renham, or Reedham, in the year 1280. Rede is in the north-westerly part of Kent, adjoining to Maidstone, a celebrated military station. It is within the district of the weald, and has from the earliest times been esteemed a part of the king's manor. The mansion is on the north side of the district, and has always been called Reade Court. There is likewise a Reade Court in the parish of Friendsbury, in the same county, situated on the river Medway, and adjoining to Hoo. There are likewise two other manors in Kent, which for a great length of time belonged to the Reads, — namely, East and West Euherst, in Tunbridge Wells; but they belonged to the Reads of Marden.

The ancient seats of the Reads in Mercia were Rockingham Castle, at North Hampton; so named from Roken, a small stream and parish of the same name on the banks of Redesdale, the residence of one branch of the Reads. This castle was the residence of Robin of Riddisdale. The Reeds had also an establishment at Wrangle, near Boston; and another, at Norwich. The manor called the Bowers of Gifford, about eight miles from Billerica and thirty from London, was owned by the Reeds a hundred and thirty years, but was not one of their original seats. John died in possession of it in 1627, and had a son and heir by the name of Roger. Henry died seized of it in 1712; but the manor passed out of the family in 1747, Henry having sold it to George Montgomery, Esq. There was likewise Boreplace in the county of Kent, and Barton Court, the seat of a bloody battle between the Loyalists and the Parliamentarians. The last-named manor was defended by its owner, Robert Read, till it was burned down over his head. The Reads also had an establishment at Barrie, Brocket Hall, of Abington, and Renham, or Reedham. Chipchase Castle, near the junction of the Reed with the Tyne, is occupied by Sir Christopher Reed at the present time; as is also Prestwich Lodge in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, the owner, son of Sir Christopher, being Deputy-Lieutenant of the county. Ewellgrove, Ipsdenhouse, Ashmans, in the county of Suffolk, Woodparks in the county of Galway, Rossenara in Kilkenny, and many other manors, are now possessed by the Reeds. It was common to have several establishments; a portion of the household residing at one, and another portion at another. Those in the remote parts of England held the old country establishment, and, at the same time, another seat at or near the metropolis. This was the case with Robbin of Riddisdale, who held his property on the banks of the Roken and also at Rockingham

Castle. The family of Read, in the county of Kent, held their estates in the north of England and south of Scotland; and nearly all who lived in and about London owned estates in Northumberland or in the southern parts of Scotland. They have lost their identity with royal families; but, as will be shown hereafter, many of them are persons of influence and wealth.

In books on heraldry are laid down a great many coats of arms of the Reeds, only a few of which I shall describe in their proper place.

Brianus de Rede was living in the year 1139, and was of Morpeth, on the Wensback River, in the north of England. He had three sons: 1. Robert of Rede; 2. William, who was Bishop of Chichester; and, 3. Thomas of Redydale.

Robert of Rede had a son by the same name, who was Bishop of Carlisle. He was also Bishop of Chichester, and built a fine stone piazza in the centre of the city.

William, the second son of Brianus, had a son Robert, who had a son Galfrinus. The latter had William, Thomas of Redydale, and Robert. The latter had sons Richard, Philip, and Robert who held the manor of Hallbury in the seventh year of Henry VI.

William, the son of Galfrinus, married Margaret Glanville: they had Robert, who had David, John, and William. The latter was one of the bailiffs of Norwich in 1260, and had a son John, who sold the manor of Silham in Reedham in 1280.

David had a Robert, who married Cecilia Randall, and died in 1346, leaving a son Robert, Bishop of Carlisle, Feb. 8, 1396; and the same year made Bishop of Chichester, and died in 1415. He was chosen in 1381 to provide and deliver out bows, arrows, swords, &c., to defend the city in the "Tyler and Jack Straw insurrection."

William, the son of Galfrinus, also had a son William,

who was Bishop of Chichester in 1330, and died in 1385, leaving a son by the same name, who was Bishop of Chichester, Sussex County, in 1369. John, son of William and Margaret, was Rector of St. Michael's in Norwich in 1393, and died in 1395.

Thomas of Redydale, the son of Galfrinus, had a son of the same name, who was living in 1429, and had a son Thomas, who possessed an estate at Heddington, Oxon, and married Christiana, daughter of Robert James Lapole, and sister of Michael De Lapole, Lord Chancellor. This Lapole Family constituted some of the worthless favorites to whom, as historians say, the king delivered himself up. The true interpretation probably is, that the Lapole Family were not of noble birth, and were on that account obnoxious to the nobility, who contrived to make them unpopular with the common people. Sensible of the value of their services, King Richard, in order to save them, stooped in vain to such acts as were considered ignoble in a prince. They were attainted, and condemned to suffer as traitors; and, though one of Lapole's associates was hung at Tyburn, Lapole found means of escape to the Continent, and much of his effects passed into the hands of his son-in-law, instead of the public treasury. This name of De Lapole is understood to be the same as that of Pool in America; persons of this name being numerous in Weymouth, Taunton, and other places in Massachusetts.

Thomas of Redydale had also an Edmond, who was the owner of an estate at Heddington. Thomas and Christiana also had John, who was Mayor of Norwich in 1388. The latter had an Edward, who married Isiod Stanley; and they had John; Bartholomew, who was Mayor of London in 1502; Robert, who was Lord Chief-Justice of the King's Bench; and William, who was Professor of Divinity. Mayor John likewise had a son Henry, who was patron of Clothell

in Berks in 1405. John, son of Edward, married Joan Ludlow, and died Nov. 11, 1502, leaving a son, Thomas of Beccles, who married Philipa Bacon, and had five sons: 1. William, his heir; 2. John of Norwich, who was warden of New College, Oxon, in 1520, and died in 1521; 3. Alvan, Abbot of Waltham in 1507; 4. Edward, Sheriff of Norfolk in 1508, and member of Parliament; 5. Thomas, who was Rector of Beccles, and died in 1543, leaving a son by the name of William, who, in 1538, married a Tooley, and died in 1545, leaving a son by the name of Thomas, also a William and six daughters. The latter William was of London, and married Anna, daughter of William Fernley of Creeting, and died in 1552, leaving a son, who was Sir William of Beccles, born in 1551; and Richard, who was Commissioner of the Court of Requests. The widow of William of London, who died in 1552, married Sir Thomas Gresham. Sir William of Beccles married Gertrude Paston for his first wife, and a Goldsmith for his second wife. He died in 1599, leaving a daughter, who married Sir Michael Stanhope; a son, known as Sir Thomas, who married Mildred Cecil, daughter of the Earl of Exeter; and Francis, who married the widow of Lord Cobham, by whom he had four daughters.

Thomas, son of William and Miss Tooley, married Margaret Guints for his first wife, and, for his second, the widow of John Goldingham, Esq.; and died in 1554, leaving a son Francis, who was incumbent of Ellough; a George, who married Ann Lee; and John of Beccles and Weston, who built Weston Hall, was member of Parliament for Guilford in 1575, and married Ursula Cook. He sold the estate of Oatlands, and died in 1605, leaving a son Thomas, who married Anna, daughter of Sir F. Gandy, Judge of the Queen's Bench. They had sons Henry, and Edward, who married Elizabeth Edgar. Henry married Elizabeth, the

daughter of Nicholas Garneys, Esq., of Redisham, and had a son Thomas, who married Abigail Edgar of Glenham, and died in 1714, leaving a son Edward, who left by his wife Elizabeth one daughter; Thomas, who left a son Thomas, who married Anna Farr of Northcone, who died in 1723, leaving Thomas, Esq., of Weston Hall, who married Martha, daughter of John Elmy, Esq., of Beccles, and died March 25, 1766, leaving a daughter Martha, who married a Carter; Anna, who married Col. Anderson; and a Thomas, who was born in January, 1730, and married Theopila, daughter of William Lemon, Esq., and married, for second wife, Elizabeth, daughter of Robert Wilson, Esq., of Didlington, and, for third wife, Rachel, the widow of John Donaldson, Esq.; and died Jan. 29, 1811. Children: Thomas Leman, who married Anna Bullen, and had a daughter Louisa, and son Thomas William, who married Ann Mills, and had Robert, Charlotte, Anne, Henry, and Sarah Lemon. Thomas and Theopila also had Robert, who built Ashmans in the county of Suffolk, and married Charlotte, the daughter of William Anderson, Bart., and died Aug. 13, 1822. Sarah Lemon, daughter of Thomas and Theopila, married Rev. Samuel Lovick Cooper, November, 1787. Their children were, — Bransby Blake; Robert, born April 10, 1796, married Louisa, daughter of Benjamin Henshaw, Esq., of Moor Hall, county of Essex; Louisa Charlotte, Annie, Marianne, Sarah Bransby, Madaline Naunton Lemon. He came into possession of the estates of his maternal uncle, Aug. 13, 1822; at which time he assumed the name, and lives at Ashmans.

Edmond, the son of Thomas and Christiana, married Alice, and had by her Edmond, who was Lord of Portstal; Thomas, and John. His widow Alice was executrix of the will of William De Pulham in 1372. Thomas, the son of Thomas and Christiana, possessed great estates in Wrangle, Boston, Burgh or Bury, Winthrop, Bennington, Leake, and Lineston.

Edmond, the son of Edmond, had a son William; also Robert and John: the latter was a merchant, of great wealth, in Boston. He lived at Wrangle in 1460. There continued to be a John in this branch of the family till 1626. The last one was knighted in 1609, made Sheriff of Lincoln in 1610, and died in 1626, aged sixty-five years. Charles Crafts Read, who moved away from Wrangle, and in 1676 lived in Bardwell, was probably a son of the last-named John. There is a record of the death of Charles Crafts in 1662; which makes it probable there were a father and son by that name. The latter married Mary, the daughter of Thomas Henet; and she inherited the manor and royalties of Pishobury. The Reads, in 1675, had disappeared from Wrangle, partly by emigration to America; and the remainder had taken up their residence on their other estates. Francis, the son of Thomas and Bridget, left there in 1674. The Crafts of Bardwell, the Gerards of Suffolk, the Greshams of Norfolk, and the Eltons of Finsbury in Lincolnshire, were relatives of the Reads of Boston and Wrangle. Edmond, the son of Thomas and Philipa, married Isiod Stanley; and they had a son Peter, who was knighted by Charles V. at the siege of Barbary. He gave his houses in St. Giles to pay for ringing the great bell at four in the morning and at eight in the evening. There is a picture of him in the council-chamber, with a hawk on his fist, and the arms of Rede, with an account of the donation for ringing the bell, and of a large charity to be distributed to the poor of the city. He married Annie, daughter of Sir Thomas Bleugrehasset, Knt. She was the widow of George, Duke of Brampton. He died in 1568, leaving a son Giles. His wife died April 15, 1577. The records abound with the charities and bequests of Sir Peter Rede; and his name is spelled Rede, Read, Redde. His father's name was spelled Rede and Reed. This family dwelt in the black flint house opposite to the north side of

the churchyard in Norwich, in which many of their arms remain. There was also a Peter Rede in Boston, in 1332, who probably belonged to this family; but I find no account of his pedigree. Thomas, the son of Edmond and Alice, had a son William, who inherited great estates from his father. He married Alice for his first wife, Margaret for his second, and Anna, the daughter of William Fernley, Esq., of West Creeting in the county of Suffolk, for his third wife. He provided obits to be observed annually for himself and his three wives at the Feast of the Invention of the Holy Cross. He died in 1453. His widow married Sir Thomas Gresham, a wealthy London merchant, who died in 1579, having made over a large portion of his estate in fee-simple to his wife. After her death, which took place in 1596, that portion passed to her son William Reade, who was born in 1538, and was afterwards known as Sir William of Rockingham Castle in the county of Northampton, one of the ancient seats of the Read Family. He had a son Thomas, who died without male issue; a daughter Anne, who married Sir Michael Stanhope; Jane, who married Lord Fitzwater, and afterwards Sir William Wetherpole; Elizabeth, who married Lord Berkley; and Bridget, who married George, Earl of Desmond. Sir William died in 1621; and his widow married Sir Edward Spencer, of the Sunderland Family, who held the Burelston Estate many years in the right of his wife; he having willed it to her, with remainder over to his three grand-daughters, the children of his son Thomas. Rockingham Castle is now a ruin.

Robert, the son of Edmond, married Christiana Lapole, a descendant of Robert James Lapole. She lived at Wrangle after the death of her husband.

Robert, the son of Edward, was executor of the will of Henry VII. He was Justice of the Common Pleas, and afterwards Chief-Justice of the King's Bench, in the reign

of Henry VIII. Lord Chief-Justice Robert Read married Margaret Alphew of Chidingstone, and, when young, lived at Morpeth, Blackfriars, in the north of England, the neighborhood of large paternal estates of the family; but, in 1530, he and his wife were members of the Corpus Christi Guild at Boston in the county of Lincoln, — an institution under the old English laws, by which the community was divided into tens, hundreds, and thousands. The members of ten were responsible for the conduct of each member of his ten. The tens originated the present institution of towns, — a word which is derived from ten; as also the thousands originated that of counties. The hundreds were a class, or division, which has never been adopted in this country. The children of Lord Robert and Margaret were, — John, who was Mayor of Norwich; Bridget, who married Francis Willoughby, afterwards Lord Chief-Justice Willoughby; and three other daughters. He inherited the two manors of East and West Euherst; and he had estates in Chidingstone, Morpeth, Boston, Norwich, and other places. The estates of East and West Euherst passed to Lady Willoughby in the division of Lord Robert's estate. His son John was Mayor of Norwich, and was also Sheriff of Norwich in 1568. Bloomfield's History says, "In 1572, on the 14th of June, about nine o'clock in the forenoon, a good and godly and virtuous brother of this house (viz., John Rede, alderman), a big man, and hot with travel, after reverence to Mr. Mayor and other brethren, and in his place taken in the council-chamber, being troubled with a rheum that fell from his head, as it is supposed, did cough three times, wherewith he was stopped, and his wind failed, and so, in a sudden, seized down, and never spake any word; and so there presently departed this transitory life unto a more joyful place of rest."

Richard, the Commissioner of Requests, had a son by the same name, who studied music twenty-two years, and was

admitted Bachelor of Music. He composed church-services and other matters for instruments, which are scattered in several books.

Giles, the son of Sir Peter and Annie, married Catherine Greville, the daughter of Earl Brooke.

Thomas Read, Esq., of Barton Court in the county of Berks, was living in 1575. He married Ann, the daughter of Thomas Hoo, Esq., of the Hoo, in the county of Hertford; and they had Thomas of Barton, who married Mary Stonehouse, of Little Peckham in the county of Kent, and Radley. He was Clerk of the Green Cloth. They had a son of the same name, who was knighted, and married Mary, the daughter of Sir John Brocket, of Brocket Hall in Hertfordshire. Their children were Thomas, John, and James, who were all baroneted. They also had two daughters. Thomas, son of Sir Thomas and Mary, married Mary, the daughter of Thomas Cornwall, Lord of Strophshire. Their children were Compton, Edward, and three sons whose names are not given, but probably Thomas, William, and John, who came to America. Compton, the son of Sir Thomas and Mary, married Mary, the daughter of Gilbert Cornwall of Berford. They had one child, named Edward, who succeeded his father to Shipton House in Oxford, and Barton in Berkshire, and was made baronet, in 1660, by Charles II. He married Elizabeth, the daughter of Francis Hardy, Esq., of Adston in Northampton. Their children were, — Thomas, who succeeded his father; and George, who became member of Parliament for Tukesbury in the county of Gloucester, and was a brigadier-general. Thomas, the son of Edward and Elizabeth, married Jane Dutton. They had a son named John, who succeeded his father to his estate and titles.

Thomas, the son of Thomas and Jane, had a son by the same name, who had John and Thomas, twins, born in 1762.

The latter died in 1837; the father died in 1773. John, the twin-brother of Thomas, married Jane, the daughter of Sir John Candos Hoskins, Bart. They had a John Candos, of Shipton Court, Oxford County, who was born Oct. 17, 1814, and died July 31, 1851.

Edward, the son of Thomas and Mary Corwall, inherited the estate of Ipsden in 1637; he also had an estate in Meckford, Essex County. He had a daughter Elizabeth, who was married, Feb. 12, 1635, to John Winthrop, jun., the first governor of Connecticut, and settled at New London. He also had a son Thomas, who was one of the first proprietors of New London; and John, who was of New London in 1651. The land granted them was forfeited for not being occupied; and they probably never permanently settled there.

William Reade of Aikenhead had a son by the name of Robert, who was Bishop of Orkney; and a daughter Allison, who married Edward, the son of Sir David Bruce, about the year 1551.

Alexander Reid of Barrie was created a baronet of Nova Scotia in 1706. He married Agnes, the eldest daughter of Sir Alexander Oglevie, Bart., of Forglen; and, dying in 1770, was succeeded by his only son James, who died in 1771, and was succeeded by his son John, who was born in 1760, and married, June 2, 1785, Barbara, the daughter of Thomas Livingston, Esq., M.D., of Downyhills in the county of Aberdeen. His son John, the fourth baronet, had a son Alexander, Nov. 12, 1798; and William, a clergyman, who is the present baronet.

John Reid, Esq., of Kirkmahoe in the county of Dumfries, married Helen, the daughter of John Davison, Esq., of Woodside, in 1761, and died May 20, 1775, leaving Thomas, born Oct. 26, 1762, who was made baronet, Nov. 10, 1823, and had sons John and Thomas. The latter had a

son of the same name, born May 21, 1805; Alexander, June 8, 1806; Joseph, Aug. 24, 1810; Edward Maitland, Jan. 16, 1815; Henry Mansford, Aug. 22, 1817; George James Greystone, July 30, 1828; Agnes M. Helen, Elizabeth B., Mary Ann, and Louisa. He had been an eminent merchant in London, and for some time Chairman of the Court of Directors of the East-India Company.

Sir John Reid, of Ewell Grove in the county of Surrey, son of James, Esq., married Maria Louisa, the only daughter of Richard Eaton, Esq., Sept. 9, 1840. Their children were, — John, born Aug. 14, 1841; a son, born Feb. 13, 1845; and a daughter, in 1843. He succeeded his father as second baronet, Feb. 29, 1824; and was Governor of the Bank of England in 1840 and 1841.

William Reade, S.T.P., son of Edward and Isiod, supposed to be born about 1450, had a son Sir William, who married Ann Menis, and had a son William, who married Rebecca, the daughter and coheir of Menis. Their children were Matthew, John, Richard, Thomas, William, and Lucy.

Matthew, Esq., the son of William and Rebecca, married Alice, the daughter of Andrew Ward; and they had William, and a daughter who married Sir Henry Oxinden of Dene, and was heir to half his estate. They also had a daughter Elizabeth, who married Morace Dixwell, Esq., of Broome in the county of Kent. William, the son of Matthew and Alice, married Lucy Henage; and they had John and William. Richard, the son of William and Rebecca, born in 1577, married Joan, daughter of Ralph Dale of London; and they had a son Richard, who lived at Whittlesey; William, and a daughter Rebecca. He was living at London in 1657, aged eighty-seven years. John, the son of William and Rebecca, was knighted in 1641 by Charles I. William, who sailed from Gravesend in 1635, and settled in Wey-

mouth, may have been son of Richard, and grandson of William and Rebecca.

Sir John Reade of Bodington in the county of Gloucester, Knt., had Dorothy, who married Lord Oliver St. John.

Thomas Read was admitted LL.D., May 8, 1638, of New College. He afterwards was a great royalist; and, by his majesty, was nominated Principal of Magdalen College, on the flight of Wilkinson to the Parliament. Afterwards he changed his religion for that of Rome, lived beyond sea, and wrote certain matters against Dr. Edward Bangor.

Thomas Rhead, M.A., of Aberdeen in Scotland, was an author of distinction.

Alexander Rhead, M.A., of Aberdeen, was created Doctor of Physic in the House of Convocation, by virtue of letters of King James I. This learned Scot, who was afterwards one of the College of Physicians in London, and a brother of the Company of Barber-Chirurgeons, has written and published "A Description of the Body of Man," and also "Chirogical Lectures" on tumors and ulcers. He was afterwards minister of Yeatley in Hampshire, where he died in 1628.

Thomas Rede, Rector of Agotte St. Lawrence, lost his living; and his family was reduced to such necessities, that some of them came to be maintained by the public charity of the Corporation for Ministers' Widows. One of this name was Rector of Offley in 1617.

John Reade of New College was Fellow of Wykeham College, and made Doctor of Decrees, Jan. 29, 1507. It was granted to Mr. John Rede, M.A., Bachelor of Divinity, and Warden of Wykeham College, near Winchester, that he be created D.D. by a cap put on his head by Dr. Fauntetroy, the commissioner, the proctor, and two masters. He had been tutor to Prince Arthur; was then Canon of Chichester; afterwards Warden of New College in Oxon; and

Master of the Hospital of St. Mary Magdalen, near Winchester. He was made LL.D. in 1528.

In 1437, Richard, Phillip, and Robert Rede held the manor of Hallbury, in the 7th and 15th of Henry VI.

Henry Reade was Sheriff of London in 1477.

Simeon Reade was Mayor of Norwich in 1502.

Edmund Reed of Morgansleigh in the county of Devonshire, rector, was once interrupted and abused in the pulpit, and at length deposed when he had been nearly forty years minister in that place. The chief accusation against him was his approval of the "Book of Sports." He lived to be restored, but died soon after.

Charles Read, Esq., built and endowed a celebrated school and hospital at Tuxford on the river Trent. There is at the present time a CHARLES REED, who is a distinguished English author.

There was a Dr. SAMUEL READ of Stafford in England, who, in 1645, furnished one Cook with funds to build a gristmill in Cambridge, Mass., and took a mortgage of the same. Whether this mill was on Charles River, or on a small stream which is in West Cambridge, I have no knowledge; but it was a great enterprise for those days, and controlled the location of highways in that section. He was probably a relative of the Puritan emigrants of the same name, and lived in the vicinity of Boston in England.

There was a John Reade of St. John's College, who was made Bachelor of Divinity, April 10, 1516; and died in 1587, being the Prebendary of Westminster. He was buried in St. John's College Chapel. There was a Thomas Reade, who was Rector of Adcome in Somersetshire, who died about the year 1570. Thomas Reade of Upham married Alice Petre, about the time of Henry VIII. Sir John of Sussex married Bridget, the daughter of Lord Thomas Munson, about the year 1600. Sir John of Bodington had

a daughter Dorothy, who married Lord Oliver St. John. There was a George Reede of Leis Garden, who died Feb. 25, 1530; and there is a monument to his memory in Horn Church.

Clement Reade of Maryfield married Ann, the only daughter of John Baker. Ralph Read in Lone, county of Kent, married the daughter of Ralph Bufkin. There was a James Reade who was Rector of St. Augustine. Thomas Rhead, M.A., of Aberdeen in Scotland, was an author of distinction. There is a Baron Von Rheede of Von Oudshoorn in Holland; but nothing is known of his pedigree. A Roger Reed of Haverhinge bequeathed large amounts for objects of charity and public utility. There was also a Simeon Reed of the same place. There is one Isaac Reed, Esq., at Hampstead in England, who was a companion of Dr. Johnson.

CHAPTER II.

WILLIAM READE OF BOSTON, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

We now arrive at a time when it is difficult to trace the different families, as there was a great rush for America; in consequence of which, some branches became extinct in Europe, and there appeared to be a disposition, on the part of at least some of the Puritan emigrants, to blot out every thing that would connect them with families in Europe. In consequence of this, their descendants lost the means of proving heirship to great estates, and left their posterity in uncertainty and doubt in reference to their ancestry.

The author has devoted much attention to the subject, and is unable to give that assurance which he would like; but is inclined to think that the first by the name of Reed in this country was, —

1.* William, the son of Richard Read of Whittlesey in the county of Kent. He came to America with Gov. Winthrop in 1630, or about that time; and settled first in Weymouth, but removed to Boston. He was engaged in mercantile business, but, a portion of the time, commanded his own vessel. He died on his homeward passage from Ireland, on board the ketch "William and Mary," of which

* The Arabic figures at the commencement of paragraphs, always throughout this work, indicate the generation.

he was part owner. An inventory of his estate was taken Sept. 23, 1667, in the schedule of which was real estate at the North End and in King Street (now State Street), some broadcloths, a tailor's goose, &c. He probably had done some business as a merchant tailor. His first wife's Christian name was Susan, who died Oct. 12, 1653. He married, for a second wife, a person whose Christian name was Hannah, Nov. 25, 1656. His children were, — Edward, who was born in 1618; John, 1620; Samuel, 1624. These three settled in Marblehead. He had a daughter Margaret, who married Richard Stubbs of Hull, March 3, 1658; Richard, who settled in Marblehead; Susanna, who married Samue Smith, Dec. 13, 1659; William; Esther, who married John Cann, July 30, 1661; Christopher, who was a tanner in Charlestown, and died in 1696, leaving a widow by the name of Catherine.

2. Samuel, the son of Capt. William of Boston, was a proprietor of land in Marblehead previous to 1673. His children were, — Samuel; Benjamin, who died in 1700.

3. Samuel, the son of Samuel of Marblehead, married Abigail Rowland, March 17, 1684. Their marriage was solemnized by Mr. Moses Maverick, the first town-clerk of Marblehead. Their children were Samuel and Benjamin. He married, for a second wife, Jane Stacy, Nov. 4, 1692. He was a purchaser of land in Marblehead in 1687.

4. Samuel, the son of Samuel and Abigail, married Mary. Their children were, — Samuel; Richard, born Aug. 4, 1706; Mary, Jan. 12, 1714; Esther; John; Bridget. His will was dated Nov. 12, 1718.

5. Samuel, the son of Samuel and Mary, married Mary Tyler of Boxford. They were married in Boston, Aug. 18, 1725; and had a son Benjamin Tyler.

6. Benjamin T., the son of Samuel and Mary, married Mary Appleton of Ipswich. Their children were, — Benja-

min Tyler, William, Polly, Rebecca, Martha. He was a cabinet-maker and an innholder. His wife died in 1830.

7. Benjamin T., the son of Benjamin T. and Mary, married Rebecca Blackley. Their children were, — Benjamin T., Lucy Ann, Mary, Rebecca. His wife died Feb. 8, 1837, in her sixty-third year. He died June 6, 1829, of jaundice, aged fifty-four years. He was known as Esquire Reed.

8. Benjamin Tyler, the son of Benjamin T. and Rebecca, was formerly Treasurer of the Eastern Railroad. He married Elizabeth T. Hooper; and had a son, — John Hooper, who is of the firm of Reed and Hooper, in State Street.

8. Hon. William, son of Benjamin T. and Mary, married Hannah Hooper. He was a member of Congress. He died suddenly, of apoplexy, Feb. 22, 1837, aged sixty years and six months. This family of Reeds, with their relatives the Hoopers, are among the wealthiest people of Massachusetts, and are also distinguished for high moral religious standing as well as business talents. Benjamin T. was for several years Treasurer of the Eastern Railroad, and his son is one of the Bankers of State Street. Hon. William Reed was a very distinguished man; and his widow survived him till recently, and was known as Madam Reed. She was looked up to in Marblehead as a pattern of piety and virtue. Her abundant wealth enabled her to do much for the poor, and to make her splendid mansion a home to the philanthropist and the destitute.

7. Polly, the daughter of Benjamin T. and Mary, married the Hon. William Hooper of Marblehead. Their children were, — Robert C.; Isaac D., who died young; Mary; Hannah; Rebecca, who married Robert Hooper, and both deceased, leaving one child.

8. Mary, the daughter of William Hooper and Polly Reed, married Francis Blacklie. They have two sons and four daughters.

8. Hannah, the daughter of William Hooper and Polly Reed, married S. T. Williams, and died, leaving one son.

8. Martha, the daughter of William Hooper and Polly, married Rev. Nehemiah Adams, D.D., of the Essex-street Church, Boston. She died in 1848, leaving two sons and four daughters.

7. Rebecca, the daughter of Benjamin T. Reed and Mary, married Rev. David Jewett. Their children are, — Rev. William Reed Jewett; David Brainard; Mary A., who married Rev. J. Whitney; and Elizabeth. Mrs. Jewett died at the residence of Mr. Whitney, April 16, 1859, aged seventy-five.

7. Martha, the daughter of Benjamin T. and Mary, married William Ropes, a distinguished merchant in Boston. She died in 1829, leaving three sons and five daughters.

8. Lucy Ann, the daughter of Benjamin T. and Rebecca, married Rev. W. C. Woodbridge, and died at Frankfort, Germany, in 1839, leaving a son by the name of William Reed, now in Yale College; and Lucy Ann, who was born in 1837.

8. Mary, the daughter of Benjamin T. and Rebecca, married Rev. O. Eastman of New York. Their children are, — Benjamin Reed, William, John Cotton, Mary, Elizabeth, and Harriet.

5. John, the son of Samuel and Mary, died in 1764, leaving a son by the same name, who administered upon his father's estate, and died in 1773, leaving also a son of the same name, who was a sea-captain, and a large landholder in Windham in the State of Maine. The latter left a widow by the name of Annis. He also had a sister Mary, who married a Malcom. She left a son John. Annis, the widow of Capt. John, married Ebenezer Foster of Boston, May 2, 1778. The town of Windham was first called New Marble-

head, probably on account of so many people in Marblehead being proprietors of land in that township.

5. Richard, the son of Samuel, married Elizabeth Tucker, May 5, 1730. Their children were, — Mary, born Dec. 5, 1730; Samuel, Nov. 23, 1732; Richard, June 6, 1736; Elizabeth, Sept. 9, 1738; Ebenezer, March 12, 1741; Sarah, Aug. 31, 1744; Andrew, April 1, 1747; Benjamin, Sept. 14, 1749; Tabitha, June 17, 1755; Jeremiah, Oct. 3, 1757. Administration was granted on his estate in 1801.

6. Ebenezer Reed, the son of Richard and Elizabeth of Marblehead, born March 12, 1741, married Sarah Harris, March 12, 1772, and, in the time of the Revolution, moved to Londonderry, N.H., where he made his will, which was witnessed by Jonathan Reed. He died in Marblehead early in 1785. His widow died Sept. 23, 1822, aged seventy-five years.

6. Richard, the son of Richard and Elizabeth, married Hannah Bowen, July 1, 1762.

6. Benjamin, the son of Richard and Elizabeth, married Damaris Picket, Sept. 29, 1774. He married, for a second wife, Elizabeth Gordon, Sept. 7, 1779.

2. Richard, the son of Capt. William of Boston, had a son by the same name, who married Hannah Walker, May 21, 1705. Their children were, — Richard, born in Boston, Aug. 26, 1708; Esther, Feb. 15, 1706; Hannah, June 17, 1711.

There was a Mary Reed of Boston who married John Venterman, May 9, 1710. She was doubtless a granddaughter of Capt. William; but I have been unable to ascertain who were her parents. They had a daughter Mary, who married in Boston to Burges Reed of Marblehead, June 8, 1725. Their children were, — Mary, born May 12, 1726; Venterman, baptized in Boston, at the Second Church, May 25, 1729.

5. John, the son of John and Hannah, born Feb. 26, 1722, married Ann Mansfield, June 23, 1748. Children, — John, a seaman, who died at the Marine Hospital at Charlestown, July 20, 1822; Lydia, married John Robertson, May 3, 1768.

John Reed in Marblehead married Rebecca Orne, Nov. 10, 1782; William married Mary Shields, July 21, 1783; John married Jane Moon, Sept. 5, 1790; Nicholas married Anna Gurney, April 17, 1791; William married Susan Frost, March 23, 1816.

Venterman, the son of Burges and Mary, married Urith Fabins, May 26, 1752. He married, for second wife, Elizabeth, who died at the alms-house, Feb. 17, 1817.

2. John, the son of Capt. William of Boston, settled in Marblehead, and had a son of the same name, who married Elizabeth. They had a son John, born in Boston, Dec. 29, 1706, who married Hannah. They had a son of the same name, born in Boston, Feb. 26, 1722; Benjamin, March 27, 1724; Mary, Nov. 25, 1728; Benjamin, Feb. 3, 1731; William, April 10, 1734; William, March 8, 1737.

6. Samuel, son of Samuel and Elizabeth, born Nov. 23, 1732, married Tabitha. Children, — Mary, born Sept. 5, 1756, died June 2, 1821; Tabitha, Jan. 14, 1758; Nicholas Gordon, Feb. 10, 1760, died March 28, 1760; Nicholas Gordon, May 30, 1761, died Aug. 12, 1761.

2. Christopher, the son of Capt. William of Boston, married Catherine. He was of Worcester in 1680. He rendered some military service under Major Willard in 1675, and afterwards lived in Charlestown. Administration of his estate was granted to his widow, Dec. 3, 1696.

CHAPTER III.

COL. THOMAS READ OF SALEM, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

1. Col. Read is supposed to have been a son of Sir Thomas and Mary Cornwall, of Brocket Hall in Hertfordshire, England. His paternal grandfather had been Clerk of the Green Cloth, and his maternal grandfather was Lord of Strophshire. His elder brother Compton was a baronet. He came to America in the great fleet in 1630, with Winthrop and others, and settled in Salem, Mass. He was made freeman the same year. He had a town-grant of three hundred acres of land in 1637, lying contiguous to that of Gov. Endicutt, and being what now constitutes the celebrated farms of Kendall Osburne, Esq., and the Hon. Ricard S. Rogers, in South Danvers, known many years as the Derby Farms, together with some smaller lots. The first settlers had grants of land in proportion to their amount of funds in the common stock, and their means of cultivating the same. There were but four persons in Salem who had as large grants of land as Col. Read. The name of his wife was Alsea. Their children were Thomas, Jacob, and Abraham; and they were probably born in England. He was a very prominent man in the Colony, and held the rank of colonel as early as 1643, and was probably an officer of that rank before he came to America. He was a colonel in the British Army, at the restoration of Charles II., in

1660. He died in England in 1663, and his son Abraham settled his estate.

2. Jacob, son of Col. Thomas, was probably born in England, and was a freeholder in Salem in 1661, but lived in a house belonging to his father. There is but little known of the descendants of this Jacob. There is a tradition that they at some time went South; and he may have been the ancestor of Gen. Jacob Reade, who was United-States senator from 1795 to 1801; and also of Jacob P. Reed, an attorney-at-law in South Carolina at the present time. He had a son Aaron, who was accidentally shot in Salem, by Joseph Small, when they were out on a hunting excursion, 11th of ninth month, 1670.

2. Abraham, son of Col. Thomas, was probably named for Abraham Palmer, a distinguished emigrant, and in some way related to Col. Read's family. He occupied the farm of his father in South Danvers, and purchased land in Salem in 1677. He had a son Samuel, who returned to England, and was a merchant in London.

3. Samuel, son of Abraham, by his attorney Waitstill Winthrop, sold the farm in South Danvers to Daniel Epps in 1701. He was then described as Samuel Read of London, merchant.

2. Thomas, son of Col. Thomas, was born in England. He married Mary, and probably lived at one time in Lynn. He was appointed ensign, and, in 1647, was made captain, and had several lots of land granted him in Salem, of the class called ten-acre lots.

Children, — Susanna, baptized Sept. 23, 1649; John, June 13, 1651, died young; Mary, April 10, 1653; Elizabeth, May 13, 1655; Remember, April 26, 1657; Jacob, Dec. 22, 1658, died Sept. 19, 1662; Sarah, born at Salem, March 15, 1660, died March 4, 1662; Jacob, 7th of sixth month, 1663; John, 21st of eighth month, 1662; Sarah,

Oct. 14, 1665. He probably died soon after the birth of the youngest child, as his wife was known as Widow Mary Read soon after that time. The last known of him is in 1666, when he conveyed some land in Salem to Richard Richards.

3. Jacob, son of Capt. Thomas and Mary, born 7th of sixth month, 1663, married Elizabeth Green, December, 1693. Children, — Aaron, born at Salem, January, 1694, died; John, Dec. 26, 1695; Mary, 1697, married Nathan Proctor, March, 1720; Jacob, Feb. 4, 1699; Jonathan, Jan. 12, 1701; Sarah, May 15, 1703; Elizabeth, March 13, 1704. His will is dated Jan. 5, 1742; and his wife was then living.

3. Jonathan, the son of Jacob and Elizabeth, was born in Salem, Mass., Jan. 12, 1701; and married, first, a Hanson; and married, for second wife, Sarah Kempton, Jan. 1, 1744. His children by his first wife were Benjamin; Hanson; Daniel; John; Jacob, who died in Smithfield, R.I., in October, 1749, and his father settled his estate; William, born in 1729, and settled in North Yarmouth, Me.; and six other children. His children by his second wife were Oliver; Aaron, who died unmarried. Several of his sons by his first wife appear to have settled in or near Rhode Island. He was principal legatee and executor of his father's will; which was dated Jan. 5, 1742.

4. John, the son of Jonathan, married a Hanson; and they had a son David, also George and John.

5. George, the son of John of Salem, lives in Woonsocket Village, and has a son Elisha, who is cashier of a bank.

4. Benjamin, the son of Jonathan, had a son of the same name, who moved from Salem to Farmington, and had a son George, who married Hannah Jones of Seekonk. Their children were, — George J., born at Seekonk in 1813; Hannah W., at Providence in 1815; Julia, 1817, died young;

William H., 1819. He married, for a second wife, Charlotte. Children, — Albert D., born in 1822; Benjamin C., 1824; Charles E., 1825; Cornelia A., 1826; James E., 1828.

7. Albert D., the son of George and Charlotte, married Mary W. Page, and lives in Providence. Children, — Agnes C., born in 1842; Alice, 1844; Mary E., 1845; Lucy M., 1849; Madaline, 1851.

5. Benjamin, the son of Benjamin of Farmington, lives at Franklin Mills in New Hampshire.

7. Benjamin C., the son of George and Charlotte of Providence, lives in East Cambridge, Mass. He married Isabella. Child, — Ellen, born March 3, 1846.

4. Hanson, the son of Jonathan, had a son of the same name, who was born in 1773, and died in 1830. He married Lucinda Brown, of Cumberland, R.I. Children, — William B., born at Rehoboth, Nov. 23, 1809, and died in 1830; Elias, born at Pawtucket, Jan. 23, 1811; Maria, Sept. 24, 1813, married Ferdinand Horton; Thomas, Aug. 27, 1815, died in 1816; Elizabeth, Aug. 19, 1817, married Jabez Pierce; Sarah, born at North Providence, Feb. 23, 1820, died in 1821; Hanson A., Dec. 10, 1822. He was a clothier.

6. Hanson A., the son of Hanson and Lucinda, born Dec. 10, 1822. Child, — Elizabeth. He lives at North Providence.

4. Jacob, son of Jacob and Elizabeth, probably settled at what is now Gorham, Me.; as he was taken by Indians at Gorhamtown, and carried into captivity. He died Sept. 20 of the same year.

4. William, son of Jonathan of Salem, born in 1729, married Mary Tuttle, and settled first in North Yarmouth, Me., about the year 1750, and moved to Sedgewick in 1760, and was a captain in the Revolutionary War. Children, — Samuel, born 1753; Abraham, born in 1757; William;

Isaac ; Zebulon ; Jacob ; Mercy, 1767, married Stephen Harris ; Anna, 1761, married a Pray ; Mary, who married John Smith ; Lydia, 1763, married Moses Black. He died in 1790, aged sixty-one.

5. Samuel, son of William and Mary of Sedgewick, born in 1753, married Sarah Soames. Children, — Abraham, William, Betsy, Hannah, Anna, John. He died at Mount Desert.

5. William, son of William and Mary of Sedgewick, born 1757, married Hannah Merrill, and settled in Cumberland, Me. Children, — Prudence ; Mary ; William, who lived in North Yarmouth ; Abigail. He died in 1826, aged sixty-nine.

5. Isaac, son of William and Mary of Sedgewick, had George, Feb. 7, 1794 ; Isaac, Dec. 17, 1797 ; Elijah, Feb. 15, 1799 ; Mary, May 29, 1801 ; Elusia, July 30, 1805 ; Narcissa, Aug. 2, 1807 ; Reuben M., July 31, 1809 ; Sally, Sept. 15, 1811. He was a payer of direct taxes in 1799.

5. Zebulon, son of William and Mary of Sedgewick, born March, 1765, married Anna Merrill. Children, — Abigail ; Nancy, who married Jeremiah Reed of Bath, Me. ; Reuben, who lives in Georgetown, Mass. ; Mercy ; Narcissa ; Zebulon ; Jane C. ; Jacob ; Enoch M. ; Asa S. ; Cynthia. He died in 1841, aged seventy-six.

Mercy, daughter of Zebulon, married William Lawrence of Pownal. Child, — William, who is a sea-captain, and lives in Bath. Married Jeremiah Reed for second husband. Child, — Zebulon, who lives in Bath. She died, and Jeremiah Reed married Nancy. Children, — Thomas L., Adrian, Calvin, Augusta, Enoch.

5. Jacob, son of William and Mary of Sedgewick, born 1755, married Sarah Butler. Children, — Rebecca ; Lydia ; Jacob ; Sarah ; John H., born April, 1799 ; William ; Abigail ; Ann. He settled in Cumberland, Me. ; and was a seaman, and died at sea in 1802.

5. Abraham, son of William and Mary of Sedgewick, born 1759, married Prudence Soames. Children, — Mercia, born in 1784, married John Smith, and live in Brookline; Mary E., Oct. 17, 1784; Betsey; Lucy, Nov. 4, 1786, married Stephen Cousens, live in Brookline; Abraham, Nov. 2, 1788; Prudence, Jan. 6, 1790; Hannah, March 18, 1772, married to Thomas Cousens, jun.; Joseph, Nov. 24, 1795; Sally, Jan. 3, 1800, married William Jackman; Jacob, Dec. 22, 1803. He was a freeholder, and payer of direct taxes in Sedgewick, in 1799, and died in 1841.

6. Reuben, son of Zebulon, married Mary Mitchel. Children, — Sewell; Alvan; Mary, who married George W. Tucker of Bath; Francis R., lives in Georgetown; Mercy, who married Benjamin Lewis of Waterville.

7. Alvan, son of Reuben, married Sarah Spencer of Machias. Child, — George.

7. Francis R., son of Reuben, married Ann Elizabeth Chase of West Amesbury, Mass. Child, — Eva Augusta. He lives at Georgetown, Mass.

6. Narcissa, daughter of Zebulon, married Jacob Lancaster of New Sharon.

6. Zebulon, son of Zebulon, married Deborah Shaw of Cumberland, Me. Child, — Sarah, who married Eben Russell.

6. Jane, daughter of Zebulon, married Thomas Lancaster of New Sharon. Children, — William, Lyman, Prudence, Samuel, Sarah, Alman, Orinda, Mary Jane, Clementine, Helen.

6. Jacob, son of Zebulon, was a seaman, and died on the Island of Madagascar.

6. Enoch M., son of Zebulon. Child, — Cynthia, who married Hartson Blackstone.

6. Asa, son of Zebulon, married a Hicks. Children, — Albert and Charles, who are traders in Windham.

6. Cynthia, daughter of Zebulon, married Edward Greely of Cumberland.

6. Elijah, son of Isaac, born Feb. 15, 1779, married Judith. Child, — Lois, born at Sedgewick, Nov. 28, 1817.

Samuel C. Reed, married at Sedgewick, Dec. 3, 1845, to E. H. Flye.

5. Jacob, son of William and Mary of Sedgewick, born 1755, married Sarah Butler. Children, — Rebecca, born Sept. 22, 1783; Lydia, Sept. 14, 1785; Jacob, Aug. 24, 1787; Sarah, July 9, 1789; William, May 10, 1791; Abigail, July 6, 1793; Ann, Sept. 5, 1795; George, May 28, 1799; John H., April 8, 1801. He settled in Cumberland, Me., and was a seaman. He died at sea in 1802.

6. John H., son of Jacob, married Hannah Cowen. Children, — Sarah H., born May 5, 1826; Hannah C., Feb. 23, 1828; Samuel H., May 28, 1830; Lydia Ann, Jan. 28, 1833; Ellen, Dec. 13, 1835; Lucy M., May 4, 1838, lives in East Boston.

7. Samuel H., son of John H., married Marietta Vose, April 22, 1856. Child, — Walter A., born Jan. 19, 1857. Live at East Boston.

7. Sarah, daughter of John H., married Edmond Rendexter. Children, — Augustus W., Hannah Jane, Charles F., Olive, Samuel.

7. Hannah C., daughter of John H., married Albert, Jan. 17, 1841. Child, — Lilla Edith, born July 14, 1855.

7. Lydia Ann, daughter of John H., married Ezekiel W. Hodgdon, Jan. 1, 1854. Child, — Ezekiel W., born October, 1857. Mr. Hodgdon was a police-officer, and was shot in the discharge of his duty, Oct. 18, 1857, in Maverick Square, East Boston.

Abraham, son of Abraham and Prudence, born Nov. 2, 1788, married Prudence Pray, and settled in Oldtown. Child, — Prudence, born in 1791, married John Bailey.

Joseph, son of Abraham and Prudence, born Nov. 24, 1795, married Abby Lunt, and settled in Oldtown.

Jacob S., son of Abraham and Prudence, born Dec. 22, 1803, married Sally Steples, and lives in Swan's Island, Me. Children,—Emily, born Dec. 18, 1831; Susan, Feb. 1, 1834; Allen, July 1, 1836.

6. George, son of Isaac and —— of Sedgewick, born Feb. 7, 1794, married Lois. Children, — Carlisle, born July 28, 1823; George Dean, Dec. 13, 1824, died Oct. 20, 1826 (his wife died Dec. 22, 1824, married Hannah Allenpul); Elijah W., born Nov. 27, 1826; Gabrilla, Sept. 6, 1829, married Samuel P. Lufkin. He was known as Capt. Reed. He died Oct. 4, 1830.

7. Elijah, son of Isaac of Sedgewick, born Feb. 15, 1799, married Judith Allen; published April 3, 1826. Child,—Lois, Nov. 28, 1827, married Newell Bowers.

6. Jacob, son of Abraham, born Dec. 22, 1803, married Sally ——. Children,—Emily, born Dec. 10, 1831; Susan, Feb. 1, 1834; Helen, Jan. 1, 1836.

6. Abraham, son of Abraham of Sedgewick, born Nov. 2, 1788, married Nancy Pray; published June 28, 1810; and again, in May 27, 1813.

6. Isaac, son of Isaac of Sedgewick, born Dec. 17, 1797, married Sally Staples, March 4, 1830.

6. Joseph, son of Abraham of Sedgewick, born Nov. 24, 1795, married Abigail Lunt.

7. Carlisle, son of George, born July 28, 1823, married Almira H. Fly, Dec. 3, 1845; married Elmanica H. Flye, Dec. 3, 1845.

7. Elijah W., son of George, born Nov. 27, 1826, married Rebecca Herrick, Oct. 17, 1847.

8. James, son of William and Mary of Sedgewick, married Polly Mulliken, June 6, 1791, and settled at Mount Desert.

3. John, son of Jacob and Elizabeth, born at Salem, Jan. 26, 1695, married Mary. Children, — Isaac, Mary, John, Bartholomew, Sarah, Aaron. He died young; and his widow, Oct. 3, 1727, owned the covenant and was baptized at the Second Parish in Salem, now Danvers.

4. Bartholomew, son of John and Mary of the Second Parish in Salem, now Danvers, lived a while, after his majority, in Andover; married Miss Harris, and settled in Falmouth, Me., about the year 1750. Children, — Abraham, born in Freeport, Me., in 1751; John, 1753; Josiah, 1757; Ammi, 1759; Sarah, who married a Harvey, 1761; Naomi, 1763, married a Gibson; Rachal, 1765, married a Hutchens; Stephen, 1767. He was in the Revolutionary War, with three of his sons, and died at the age of ninety.

5. Abraham, son of Bartholomew, born 1751, married Miss Bram. Children, — Eben, John, Mary, Betsy, Abigail, Hannah, Rachal. He died in 1834, aged eighty-three.

6. Ebenezer, moved from Yarmouth, Me., to a place called Dead River in Maine, married Jane James. Children, — Abram; Ami; David; James; John; Susan, married a Welch; Lois, married a Welch; Margaret, married a Thompson.

7. Abram, son of Ebenezer and Jane, married Nancy Monsey. Children, — Nathaniel, Lewis, Lyman, Jane, Sarah, Clarinda, and Permelia.

7. David, son of Ebenezer and Jane, married Sarah Robinson. Children, — Eben, Elias, Abram, Margaret, Rachal.

7. Ami, son of Ebenezer and Jane. Children, — George, Margaret.

8. Nathaniel, son of Abram and Nancy, married Rebecca Withey. Children, — Ezra, Julia, Clarinda, and Permelia.

8. Lewis, son of Abram and Nancy, married Miss Taylor. Children, — Calvin, Esther, Permelia.

8. Clarinda, daughter of Abram and Nancy, married Calvin Wing, and lives in Michigan.

8. Jane, daughter of Abram and Nancy, married William Stevens.

8. Permelia, daughter of Abram and Nancy, married Henry Thompson.

7. John, son of Ebenezer and Jane, married Eleaner Powers. Children, — William O.; Alvin; John; Joshua; Ruth, who married Abijah Lowell; Julia, married Franklin Bartlett; Opha, married Chandler Lovell.

5. John, son of Bartholomew, born 1753, married Mitchell. Children, — Abraham, John, Andrew, Bartholomew, Samuel. He was a seaman.

5. Josiah, son of Bartholomew, born 1757, married Mitchell. Children, — Reuben, Cornelius, Jacob, Charles, Edward, Rhoda, Lydia, Hannah, Sarah. He died about the year 1850, aged seventy-three.

6. Abraham, son of John, married ——. Child, — Freeman.

7. Freeman, son of Abraham, married in Boston, Jan. 29, 1835, to Eliza C. Malcom of Newcastle, Me. Children, — Freeman Harney, born in Edgecomb, Dec. 28, 1835; Eliza P., born at Newcastle, Nov. 26, 1843; Emma Jane, born at Chelsea, Mass., Feb. 3, 1846; Frank M., Feb. 8, 1855. They live at No. 6, Washington Avenue, Chelsea.

6. Hannah, daughter of Stephen and Mary, born at Freeport, Dec. 9, 1789, married Samuel Alden, and died April, 1850.

6. Daniel, son of Stephen and Mary, born at Freeport, March 19, 1791, married Rachal Loring. Children, — Edwin, Mehitable, Lucy A., Mary G., Prudence. He died June, 1856.

6. Rebecca, daughter of Stephen and Mary, born at Freeport, Sept. 20, 1793, married Andrew, son of John

Reed. Children, — Philemon P.; Jeremiah B.; George B.; Nicholas G.; Angelia, who died February, 1854.

4. Stephen, son of Bartholomew, born in 1767, married Mary Grant. Children, — Hannah, born Dec. 9, 1789, married Samuel Alden; Daniel, March 19, 1791; Rebecca, Sept. 20, 1793, married Andrew Reed, son of John; Jeremiah, July 28, 1795; Prudence, Oct. 23, 1799, married Benjamin Mayo; Stephen, December, 1801, died in Havana in 1836; Philander, July 11, 1803, married Jeremiah Ladd; Nicholas G., Jan. 26, 1805; Mary, June 26, 1807, married Henry Cram; William B., July 13, 1809, moved to New Brunswick. He was living in 1857 in Freeport, aged ninety.

4. Amma, son of Bartholomew, was a Baptist preacher, and settled in Weld.

4. Naomi, daughter of Bartholomew, married a Gibson.

4. Sarah, daughter of Bartholomew, married a Harvey.

5. Daniel, son of Stephen, born March 19, 1791, married Rachal Loring. Children, — Edwin, Mehitable, Lucy A., Mary G., Prudence. He died in 1856.

5. Jeremiah B., son of Stephen, born July 28, 1795, married Mercy, daughter of Zebulon Reed. Children, — Zebulon, born July 24, 1822, lives in Bath; married Nancy, daughter of Zebulon, for second wife. Children, — Calvin W., born April 11, 1828; Thomas L., March 25, 1830; Enoch M., Nov. 25, 1833; Adran, Sept. 4, 1826; Augusta A., Nov. 5, 1831.

Andrew, son of John, married Rebecca, daughter of Stephen Reed. Children, — Philemon P., Jeremiah B., George B., Nicholas G.

6. Zebulon, son of Jeremiah B. of Bath, married Harriet N. Green. Children, — Frederick A., George M.

6. Prudence, daughter of Stephen and Mary, born at Freeport, Oct. 23, 1799, married Benjamin Mayo.

6. Stephen, son of Stephen and Mary, born at Freeport, December, 1801, died in Havana in 1830.

6. Philanda, daughter of Stephen and Mary, born July 14, 1803, married Jeremiah Ladd, and lives in Garland, Me.

6. Nicholas, son of Stephen and Mary, born at Freeport, Jan. 26, 1805; an Advent preacher.

6. Mary, daughter of Stephen and Mary, born at Freeport, Jan. 26, 1807, married Henry Cram; and they live in Holyoke, Mass.

6. William, son of Stephen and Mary, born at Freeport, July 13, 1809, is a seaman, and moved to New Brunswick in 1836.

6. Jeremiah B., son of Stephen and Mary, born at Freeport, July 28, 1795, married Nancy M., daughter of Zebulon Reed of Sedgewick. Children, — Zebulon, born at Pownal, Me., July 24, 1822; Adraan, at Freeport, Sept. 14, 1826, died Dec. 8, 1847; Calvin W., April 11, 1828, died in California, Nov. 1, 1851; Thomas L., born in Newsharon, March 25, 1830, is a dentist, and lives in Bath; Augustus A., Nov. 5, 1831, lives in Bath; Enoch M., Nov. 25, 1833, lives in Bath.

7. Zebulon, son of Jeremiah B. and Nancy, born July 24, 1822, married Harriet N. Green. Children, — Frederick A., George M. They live in Bath.

5. Isaac, son of John and Mary of Second Parish in Salem, now Danverse, was in the Revolutionary War, and settled in Berwick, Me., where he died. Children, — Isaac, James, Samuel.

6. Isaac, son of Isaac of Berwick, born in 1770, married Susan. Children, — Joel, Jacob, John, Isaac.

7. Joel, son of Isaac of Berwick, married Sally Tinelley of Marblehead, June 22, 1841, and lives in Marblehead.

7. Jacob, son of Isaac of Berwick, lives in Dover, N.H.

7. John, son of Isaac of Berwick, lives in North Berwick,

Me.; married Sarah. Children, — George Herbert, Charles Byron, Emma.

7. Isaac, son of Isaac of Berwick, lives in Sanford, Me.; married Nancy Herd. Children, — Edwin, William, Phebe Jane, Nathan.

8. Nathan, son of Isaac, married Emily Monies of Salem, Mass. Child, — Nathan Edwin, born in Salem.

8. William, son of Isaac, married Margaret Monies of Salem, Mass., Dec. 31, 1848, and lives in Sanford.

4. John, son of Jacob and Elizabeth, born at Salem, Jan. 26, 1695. Child, — John, who married Abigail Turner, Dec. 15, 1742, and died in 1760. Child, — John, born Nov. 17, 1743.

6. John, son of John and Abigail, born Nov. 17, 1743, married Desire Cook, Jan. 18, 1774. Children, — John, born June 3, 1775; Mary, Dec. 22, 1776, died Aug. 15, 1838. He died June 20, 1779. His wife was living, and a payer of direct taxes on real estate, in 1798.

6. John, son of John and Desire, born June 3, 1775, married Mary Fairfield, April 25, 1802. Child, — Mary.

6. Samuel, son of Isaac of Berwick, married, for first wife, a Chase. Children, — John, William. Married, for second wife, Sarah Frye. Children, — James; Silas; Mary, who died, unmarried, in 1858; Lydia; Charles, born Nov. 28, 1819; Ebenezer; Nathaniel.

7. John, son of Samuel of Berwick, married Sally Roberts; lives in Newfield, Me., and has several children.

7. William, son of Samuel of Berwick, married Sarah; and married, for second wife, Abigail D. Dorman. He lives in Newfield, Me., and has a large family of children.

7. James, son of Samuel and Sarah, married Mehitable Fernald, and lives in Acton, Me.; has two children.

7. Silas, son of Samuel and Sarah, married Hannah York. They live in Wolfborough, and have a large family.

7. Lydia, daughter of Samuel and Sarah, married Saywoods of Strafford, N.H.; and they have a family of children.

7. Charles, son of Samuel and Sarah, born Nov. 28, 1819, married Thirza Whitehouse of West Newfield, Me., and lives on the homestead of his father, in Newfield. Children,—Thirza Ellen, born January, 1846; Joseph Whitehouse; Charles Albert; John F. H.; Samuel; Nathaniel; Christopher W., born 1858.

7. Ebenezer, son of Samuel and Sarah, married a Burbank of Acton, Me., and lives in Brookline, Mass. Children,—three daughters.

7. Nathaniel, son of Samuel and Sarah, married a Vermont lady. He died in Newfield, Me. His wife and one child live in Newburyport.

CHAPTER IV.

WILLIAM READE OF WOBURN, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

WILLIAM READE, supposed to be the son of Thomas and Mary of Brocket Hall, was born in 1587, and was the oldest of any of the Puritan emigrants by the name of Reade. He sailed from London in the ship "Defence," in July, 1635; Capt. Edward Fostick, master; and arrived at Boston, Oct. 6, the same year, with his wife, who was Mabel Kendall, born in 1605. Their children, who sailed with them, were — George, born in 1629; Ralph, 1630; and Justice, afterwards Abigail, born in 1633. He settled in Dorchester, but did not remain there. He was made freeman, March 4, 1638. In August, 1639, he sold his real estate in Dorchester to Thomas Clark, and moved to Scituate. He was constable of Scituate in 1644. He sent his wife to Dorchester, on horseback, in 1644, with an infant named Israel, to be baptized; he being a member of the church in that place. His brother Esdras, who had a grant of land from the town of Boston, situated at Muddy River (now Brookline), sold the same to William, who took up his residence upon it, where he lived till 1648; when he bought a farm in Woburn, of Nicholas Davis of Charlestown, and removed to that place. He is the ancestor of the Woburn, Lexington, Bedford, and Burlington Reads; he is also the paternal ancestor of a large portion of the Reeds in Maine; and almost every State in the Union has some of

his descendants. His children, born in America, were — Bethia, who married John Johnson, son of Edward, the author of Johnson's "Wonder-working Providence;" Israel; Sarah, who married Samuel Walker, Sept. 10, 1662; Rebecca, who married Joseph Winn. He returned to England, and died at Newcastle-upon-Tyne in 1656. A letter of administration was taken out by his widow, under Oliver Cromwell. She returned to America, and, after finishing the settlement of his estate, married Henry Summers of Woburn, Nov. 21, 1660. She outlived her second husband, and resided with her son George till her death, which took place June 5, 1690, when she was eighty-five years of age.

The following are the copies of two legal instruments in connection with this man, and are a specimen of the style of such documents in those times. The first is intended for a deed, and was found on the records of Suffolk County. It runs thus: —

The bill of sale from Nicholas Davis of Charlestown, to William Reade of Muddy River, of his farm in Woburn, containing fifty acres of upland; four acres of meadow, before the door; four acres of meadow in Rockbrook; and two acres in Brook Meadow; with all barns, outhouses, fences, and all to the same belonging; which is by me an absolute deed of sale. NICHOLAS DAVIS.

Dated 7. 5. 1648.

The above piece of land is on the old road from Salem to Concord, not far from Kendall's mill. The cellar and well are to be seen at the present time. The land, after being in the possession of his descendants by the name of Read, passed into the hands of the Fowles, who were also his descendants; from them to Col. Baldwin, through his wife, who was a Fowle; and from the Baldwins to Mr. Samuel R. Durant, who is a descendant in a direct line from said William Read, and is the eighth generation from him. He

purchased other tracts of land in the vicinity; and his descendants settled upon it, and continue to occupy lands in the vicinity, although much of it is, at this time, held by those bearing other names.

The other instrument, intended for his last will and testament, was written in Newcastle-upon-Tyne, in anticipation of his decease; and runs as follows: —

My will is, that my wife Maybel have threescore pounds for herselfe.

Item, That my wife have the household stuffe to dispose of.

Item, That the threescore pounds which is owing me by Mr. William Brenton of Newengland be disposed of as followeth, if it can be got; viz.: To my wife, twenty pounds. Item, To my four youngest children, twenty pounds; that is, five pounds apiece.

Item, To my three children that are married in Newengland, that is, George, Ralph, and Michael, twenty pounds, to be equally divided between them.

Item, That, whenever any of my four youngest children die, their portion be equally divided among the other three; that is, if they die in their minority.

40lb. due me from Mr. Shillingsworth; 20lb. Mark Eaton of Blackeallerton; 30lb. from Mrs. Flora Hall; 20lb. from Anthony Walker; 12lb. 3lb. in my wife's hands, and 6lb. in Mr. Oggle's hands; 40lb. more in the house. George Errington of Longhouse, and his sonne and his sonne-in-law, 40 shillings; Sawin Anderson, forty shillings; Mary Chicken, alias Watson, 4lb. 10 shillings, and 10 shillings in my wife's hands, in all ninescore pounds.

The mark of Wm. Reade.

Witness: William Cutter.
The mark of Thomas Gibson.

Oliver, Lord Protector of the Commonwealth of England, Scotland, and Ireland, or the dominions thereto belonging, to Maybel Reade, widow, the relict of William Reade, late of Newcastle-upon-Tyn, deceased, greeting. Whereas the said William Reade made his last will and testament, which is hereunto annexed, and therein made nor constituted no executor, but nominated and appointed the

said Maybel Reade, his then wife, principal testatrix; we, therefore, give and grant full power and authority unto you, the said Maybel Reade, widow.

Given at London, under the hand and seal of the Court of Probate of Wills, and granting administration, the last day of October, 1656. Robert Blackford. B. Sunhenge. Nath. Shoucklegs. And seal annexed now, *Pesto annexo uli exeant uli nullus.*

Mr. —— WATSON. T. M. BLACKFORD.

Entered and recorded, 17. 12. 1661, by

THOMAS DANFORTH, Recorder.

The will is recorded in Middlesex Probate Office, Dec. 16, 1661, vol. i. p. 299.

The amount of estate appraised in England was two hundred pounds. The amount due him from Mr. William Brenton in New England, not appraised, sixty pounds, with what he had advanced to his three older children in America, made in all over three hundred and fifty pounds; and, by including the amount necessary to convey himself and family to England, it would make his estate, at the time he left America, not less than four hundred pounds: which was among the largest estates in New England at that time.

The name of Michael appears to have been a mistake of the recorder for Abigail, as he had no son by that name; but his third child, born in England in 1633, and entered at the time he embarked for America by the name of Justus, was changed to Abigail, who married Francis Wyman as his second wife, and was living in Woburn at the demise of her father. One of her great-great-grandsons, by the name of Edward Wyman, died in Pelham, N.H., Dec. 1, 1856, aged eighty-four, having been born in 1772.

2. George, son of William and Maybel, born in England, 1629, bought a farm in Woburn of Rebecca Terrace, Nov. 7, 1651. Married Elizabeth Gennings, or Gennison, of Watertown, Aug. 4, 1651; bought land in Weymouth, April 16,

1665. Children, — Elizabeth, born July 26, 1653, married David Fiske, of Watertown, Dec. 15, 1675, a distinguished surveyor of land; twins, not named, born in 1654; Samuel, born April 29, 1656, married Elizabeth Mousal of Charlestown, April 19, 1679; Abigail, born June 27, 1658, married Nathaniel Richardson, Sept. 18, 1694; George, born Sept. 14, 1660, married Abigail Pierce, Feb. 18, 1684; William, born Sept. 22, 1662, married Abigail Kendall, May 24, 1686, his father's cousin; Sarah, born Feb. 12, 1664, married a Robinson, Dec. 12, 1685. George's wife, Elizabeth, died Feb. 26, 1664; and he married Hannah Rockwell of Charlestown, Nov. 9, 1665. Children, — Hannah, born Feb. 18, 1669, married an Elson; John, born March 18, 1671, married Ruth Johnson, June 10, 1697; Mary, born June 15, 1674, married Nathan Johnson, 1697; Timothy, born Oct. 20, 1678, married Persis Kendal, his second cousin; Thomas, born July 15, 1682, married Sarah Sawyer, Feb. 1, 1704. George is mentioned in Robert Gennison's will, in 1690. The farm on which he lived is now owned by Nathan Blanchard, Esq., in what is now Burlington. He was a large landholder and a wealthy man. His children formed marriage alliances with the first families in the vicinity. He settled his sons around him in what is now Woburn Westside, Burlington, and Lexington. His house stood where Esquire Blanchard's carriage-house now stands. He was deacon of the church in Woburn; and died Feb. 21, 1706, aged seventy-seven.

2. Ralph, son of William and Maybel, born 1630 in England; married Mary Pierce, daughter of Anthony Pierce of Watertown. His name appears upon the records of Woburn, March 31, 1654. Children, — John, born in 1660, married Elizabeth Holden, March 21, 1682; Joseph; William, born 1658; David ——; Daniel; Timothy, born Feb. 14, 1664, died Jan. 12, 1729; Jonathan, died May 5, 1710;

Mary, who married Benjamin Pierce. His wife died Feb. 18, 1700. He occupied the farm bought by his father of Nicholas Davis, but afterwards owned and lived on the farm known in the present century as the Sylvanus Wood Farm. He died Jan. 4, 1711.

6. Israel, son of William and Maybel, born 1642. On the 11th of July, 1660, with the consent of his mother, he bound himself, till he should be twenty-one years of age, to learn the tailor's trade; which was a business peculiar to the Reeds of that century. Married Mary, daughter of Francis Kendall, his own cousin. Children, — Mary, born Aug. 15, 1670, married Matthew Johnson; Rebecca, born July 2, 1678, married John Wyman, Jan. 28, 1697; Elizabeth, born Oct. 22, 1681, married Richard Snow, Jan. 1, 1706; Ruth, born Nov. 6, 1683; Israel, March 17, 1687, married Hannah Johnson, June 1, 1707; Jemima, born July 23, 1689; Patience, Dec. 3, 1697, married Jeremiah Whittemore of Weston, March 15, 1722, and died Oct. 24, 1745. The elder Israel died June 25, 1711: his wife died Jan. 17, 1721. He lived and owned where the Baptist Meeting-house now stands, in Woburn. The house was taken down, about the year 1830, to make room for the church. He likewise owned a small house where Mr. Bucknam's store now stands, running back to the burying-ground; and a small lot on the other side of the street, with a shop on it, called Under the Rock, adjoining the town-pound and the king's highway. His farming land was situated in that part of the town towards Reading. Jan. 6, 1699, one Joseph Whittemore owned and occupied the place with his mother, Elizabeth Pierce. They sold it to George Read. It was owned and occupied by some of his descendants till it was purchased for the Baptist Society. Israel Reed was an innholder.

3. Rebecca, daughter of Israel and Mary, born at Woburn, July 2, 1678; married John Wyman of Woburn, the son of

John, and grandson of John who was brother to Francis, who married her aunt Abigail Reed. Children, — Rebecca, born Oct. 14, 1699, married Benjamin Thompson of Roxbury, and was a widow, with three or four children, in 1736; John, born Oct. 30, 1702, settled in Lunenburg, and had seven children; Israel, born Jan. 4, 1704, settled in Leicester, and was a tanner, — he was one of Col. Tyng's men, in service in 1724, — died July 20, 1732; Jabez, born July 24, 1707, settled in Cambridge, had seven children, one of which, by the name of Jabez, was killed in Concord fight, April 19, 1775, aged thirty-nine; Mary, born Aug. 1, 1709, married Timothy Johnson of Woburn, Nov. 11, 1734; Ezekiel, born July 8, 1712, married Abigail Wyman, daughter of William, Nov. 12, 1735, and settled in Lunenburg, had ten children; Elizabeth, born July 3, 1714, married Thomas Underwood, Oct. 25, 1739; Martha, born July 20, 1718, married Joseph Hopkins of Charlestown, published Sept. 14, 1744, and was the third of his five wives, — was deceased in 1750, leaving a son William; Abigail, born July 18, 1722, married Joseph Bruce of Woburn, Dec. 20, 1758. Mr. Wyman died June 16, 1727; and his wife, Sept. 12, 1734.

3. Israel, son of Israel of Woburn, born March 17, 1667; married Hannah Wyman, daughter of Jonathan Wyman, June 1, 1717. Children, — Elizabeth, born Dec. 18, 1737, died June 1, 1747; Israel, born Nov. 25, 1718; and Israel, Nov. 16, 1722; Sarah, who married Hezekiah Wyman, son of Seth, had nine children, and died Oct. 16, 1775; Abigail, born Nov. 15, 1724; Lucy, Oct. 4, 1728.

4. Israel, son of Israel, and grandson of Israel, born June 16, 1747; married Martha Temple of Westford, near Littleton line. He settled in Littleton, and kept a public house. Children, — Israel, born Dec. 19, 1768; Joseph, Nov. 29, 1772; Jeremiah, Sept. 25, 1770; Lucy, June 27, 1779; Mary, Nov. 20, 1781. He moved from Littleton to

Walpole, N.H., and married, for second wife, Mary, and had Mary, born Nov. 20, 1784; Betsy, Oct. 11, 1786; John, Feb. 7, 1784; and probably Benjamin, Gideon, Simeon. His first wife died Nov. 18, 1783.

5. Jeremiah, son of Israel, born at Littleton; married Sarah, daughter of Joseph Tidd of Lexington, Sept. 25, 1770, and moved to New Braintree. Children, — Joseph; Martha; Elijah M., born July 12, 1800.

5. Israel, son of Israel and Jemima, born Dec. 19, 1768; married Mary. Children, — Herman, born Aug. 9, 1793; Augustus, July 1, 1794; William, July 30, 1796; Henry.

6. Elijah M., son of Jeremiah, born July 12, 1800; married the widow of Asa Reed of Westford. Lives in Tukesbury, and does business in Lowell. Has been a member of the Legislature, and holds a Justice of the Peace commission. He is a fancy farmer, and a man of wealth and distinction.

6. Joseph, son of Jeremiah, born Jan. 11, 1791; married Maria. Children, — John Forbes, born Nov. 4, 1824; Joseph Mason, Aug. 12, 1826; Josiah Miles, Sept. 21, 1830, doing business at No. 6, Water Street, Boston; Malvina Maria, born Sept. 20, 1834; Martha Malvina, Jan. 9, 1837.

6. Henry, son of Israel, married Dolly; settled in Brookfield, where he still resides. Children, — Ann Precilla, born Oct. 15, 1824; Henry, July 16, 1826; Charles, Jan. 4, 1828, died Mar. 21, 1832; Micah S., Mar. 17, 1829; Almira H., Aug. 26, 1830; Charles Lyon, June 6, 1832; Mary E., June 14, 1834.

7. Henry, son of Henry and Dolly, born July 16, 1826; married Mary. Children, — Francis D., born Feb. 19, 1848; Nathan F., Sept. 24, 1856; Elizabeth, Nov. 3, 1851; a son born Nov. 9, 1856.

Benjamin, son of Israel, born in Walpole, N.H., and had Olive, who now lives in New Salem, Mass.; Benjamin, who went to Webster, Mich.; Joseph V., otherwise Owen, Aug. 22, 1812.

Joseph Videll, born Aug. 22, 1812; had his name altered from Owen. Married Hannah Goodwin, June 13, 1841; and lives in West Newbury.

Gideon, son of Israel, lives in New Salem, Mass.

Simeon, son of Israel, lived in Whateley. Child, — George, who now lives in Whateley.

3. John, son of Ralph and Mary of Woburn, born 1660; married Elizabeth Houlding, March 21, 1682. Children, — John, born March 22, 1684; Ralph, Sept. 5, 1686; Elizabeth, Feb. 25, 1690; Ralph, Sept. 5, 1686; Elizabeth, Feb. 25, 1690. He married, for second wife, Abigail Baldwin, Dec. 4, 1705, and had Susanna, March 13, 1706; Henry, 1708; Amos, May 25, 1710. John, the elder, was a weaver. He bought a lot of land, Jan. 1, 1700, of Henry Baldwin, in Woburn, near the line of Billerica, on which he moved and settled; and it is occupied by his descendants, Isaiah Reed and others. His will is dated July 20, 1732. Died March 9, 1733.

4. Henry, son of John and Abigail, born in 1708, and named, from his paternal grandfather, Henry Baldwin; married Rebecca. Children, — Rebecca, born June 1, 1731; Henry, May 7, 1735; Abigail, July 6, 1736; Sarah, June 18, 1741. His wife was burned to death, June 18, 1768. Married Prudence Hayward, Sept. 22, 1768, widow of Thomas Hayward. The fact that his wife died in a strange manner, and that an attachment was discovered between him and Mrs. Hayward, led to suspicions that she had been murdered. The excitement was great. The civil authority had the body taken from its resting-place, and he was required to touch the body; it being the general belief, that, if the murderer was made to touch the murdered body, there would be some miraculous demonstration of his guilt. But there was no such demonstration; and Mr. Thompson, the recording magistrate, made entry that

some people went home satisfied, and that others were dissatisfied. Mr. Reed, however, married Mrs. Prudence Hayward. He lived on a portion of the old farm of his father. His house stood near where Mr. Jesse Deane afterwards lived, near the line of Billerica, and also near that of Wilmington. His second wife was the third daughter of Joshua Wyman, and was one of three sisters who married Reeds.

4. Ralph Read, son of John and Elizabeth, born Sept. 5, 1686; married Mary Pierce, 1709. Children, — David and Jonathan, born May 3, 1710; John, Aug. 14, 1712, died Jan. 14, 1756; Maria and Mary, born Nov. 30, 1714; Abigail, May 25, 1717; Jonathan, March 9, 1722, lived at Billerica; Joshua, June 18, 1724; Amos, born March 13, 1728, and died Aug. 23, 1799.

5. John, son of Ralph and Mary, born Aug. 14, 1712; married Kerzia Wyman, Dec. 9, 1735, daughter of Nathaniel and Mary Winn Wyman. Child, — David. Married, for second wife, Judith Proctor. Children, — Judith, born Nov. 10, 1745; Martha, Dec. 3, 1747; John, Jan. 19, 1749. He was a captain in the French War; and died Jan. 31, 1755.

6. David, son of John and Kerzia, married Hannah Raymond, Jan. 9, 1772. Children, — John, born March 3, 1772; Polly, May 31, 1777; Hannah, May 14, 1784; David, May 19, 1787. His wife died April 29, 1790. Married Abigail Simonds, Dec. 28, 1792. Children, — Benjamin, born Feb. 12, 1793; Nabby, Nov. 6, 1794. His second wife died Sept. 1, 1803, aged forty-four. Married Martha Simonds, March 28, 1804. Child, — Susanna, born Jan. 3, 1806. He died Jan. 1, 1832: his wife died Jan. 31, 1834. He was known as Capt. Reed, and kept a public house in Bedford, on the road from Boston to Chelmsford.

7. John Reed, son of Capt. David of Bedford, born March 23, 1772. He died Nov. 3, 1846. Child, — Nehemiah L.

8. Nehemiah L., son of John, married Anna. Children, — — George W., born May 25, 1825; Jacob H., Feb. 22, 1828.

7. David, son of Capt. David and Hannah, born May 19, 1787; married Abigail Danforth, April 23, 1812. Children, — Abigail, born Feb. 6, 1813; Hannah R., Jan. 14, 1823.

7. Benjamin, son of Capt. David, born Feb. 12, 1793; married Sally P. Danforth, April 7, 1817. Children, — William D., born Dec. 16, 1817; David and William Danforth, twins, Jan. 28, 1819; Lucy, Nov. 21, 1825.

8. William D., son of Benjamin, and twin-brother of David, born January, 1819; married Lydia Butters, April 20, 1843.

8. David, son of Benjamin, and twin-brother of William D., born Jan. 28, 1819; married Sarah Butters, April 15, 1848.

5. Jonathan, son of Ralph, 2d, born March 9, 1722; married Mary, daughter of Joshua Wyman, Sept. 9, 1742. Children, — Mary, born at Billerica, June 20, 1743; Elizabeth, who married Thomas Wyman, May 25, 1773, and settled in Winchinton; Sarah, born Oct. 8, 1744, at Billerica. The residence of Ralph Reed, 2d, in Woburn, was as near the centre of Billerica as that of Woburn, being about half a mile from the line between the two towns.

6. Sarah, daughter of Jonathan and Mary, born at Burlington, Oct. 8, 1744; married a Cutler; and married Fiske for second husband.

5. Joshua, son of Ralph, 2d, married Hannah Procter, July, 1742. Children, — Joshua, born Dec. 14, 1742; Hannah, April 2, 1745; Esther, born at Billerica, Feb. 14, 1746; Elizabeth, at Billerica, April 23, 1749; Lucy, Nov. 25, 1754; John, March 29, 1757; James, April 14,

1759; Jonathan, Feb. 13, 1761; Mary, May 24, 1763; Judith, March 6, 1768. He died at Woburn Precinct, now Burlington, July 19, 1786. His residence was about one-fourth of a mile from where his grandson Isaiah now lives. A row of buttonwood-trees marks the spot. He was an innholder.

6. Jonathan, son of Joshua and Hannah, born Feb. 13, 1761; married Ruth Tay of Woburn, Oct. 14, 1790. Children, — Jonathan, born Oct. 26, 1792; Isaiah; Abigail, married Jacob Simonds; Moses Abbot; Joshua, born April 3, 1801; Eliza; Franklin; Mary Ann. He lived on the old place, in what is now the north part of Burlington. He died Aug. 17, 1820; and his widow married Jesse Deane of Burlington, Feb. 1, 1827. She died Feb. 11, 1834.

7. Joshua, son of Jonathan and Ruth of Burlington, born April 3, 1801; married Rhoda Goodwin of Billerica. Children, — Charles Otis, born at Woburn, May 22, 1821; Reuel Goodwin, May 14, 1827; Rhoda A., born at Billerica, May 20, 1829; Moses D., Jan. 21, 1834; Nahum, Dec. 13, 1835; Diantha, Feb. 20, 1837; Mary Ann, Oct. 4, 1838. His wife died at Burlington, Aug. 1, 1843, aged forty-five. Married Roxanna Turner of Billerica. Child, — Susan, born at Burlington, May 12, 1849.

6. Joshua, son of Joshua and Hannah, born at Burlington, Dec. 14, 1742; moved to Hebron, N.H. Children, — Thomas; John, who died in Charlestown; Joshua. He was killed in the Revolutionary War.

6. James, son of Joshua and Hannah, born in Burlington, April 14, 1759; married Olive Johnson. Children, — Olive, born Feb. 4, 1780, married Samuel Beaverstocks; Betsy, born Feb. 26, 1782, married an Alexander of Wilmington; William, born Feb. 18, 1795; Samuel, June 4, 1800; John, Dec. 26, 1787; Lucy, who married a Stone; Orvil; Abigail, born May 17, 1790; Lucy, Nov. 19, 1791; George, who died

in New Orleans in 1853. He died in Charlestown, of consumption, June 8, 1796.

7. Thomas, son of Joshua and Hannah of Hebron, N.H., married Sally Alexander of Burlington, Mass. Children, — Alexander; Thomas U.

8. Alexander, son of Thomas and Sally, married Jennette. Child, — Jane Caroline, born in Billerica, Dec. 4, 1842.

7. William, son of James and Olive, born in Burlington, Feb. 18, 1795; married Mary Marden of Chichester, N.H. Children, — William Henry, born June 8, 1844; Sarah, 1841, and died April 24, 1856. He died Nov. 3, 1847. His widow now lives in East Boston.

8. Thomas U., son of Thomas and Sally, married Mary Fiske. Children, — George W. L.; N. H.; Eliza A. He moved to Lowell, and was killed by the cars.

9. George W. L., son of Thomas U., married Rebecca Chase, and lives in Lowell.

7. Isaiah, son of Jonathan and Ruth, married Sally Ellsworth of Deering, N.H. Children, — Isaiah, born July 7, 1816; Charlotte Lucretia, Dec. 25, 1817; Jonathan Ellsworth, Jan. 10, 1819; Joseph Wyott, April 26, 1820; Josiah Thomas, Nov. 11, 1821; William Abbot, Nov. 8, 1823, lives in Philadelphia; Nancy Lowell, born March 24, 1825; Oliver Franklin, July 31, 1826; Levi Houghton, Nov. 18, 1829. He was an officer, for some years, at the State Prison, at Charlestown.

8. Isaiah, son of Isaiah and Sally, married Mary B. Wales, November, 1836. Children, — George Wales, born July 28, 1840, died April 20, 1848; Thomas Isaiah, born July 14, 1846. He now lives in the north-westerly part of Burlington, at the junction of the Billerica and Wilmington Roads, near the schoolhouse; it being a portion of the farm bought by his ancestor, John Read, of Henry Baldwin, on the first day of January, 1700.

8. Joseph W., son of Isaiah and Sally, born April 26, 1820; married Mehitabel C. Wyman. Children, — Joseph M.; Abby; Wyman, born Aug. 8, 1854. He lives in Charlestown, and is a trader.

8. Josiah T., son of Isaiah and Sally, born Nov. 11, 1821; married Lydia Simonds. Child, — Mary, born Feb. 16, 1853. Lives in Charlestown, and is a trader.

8. Franklin Oliver, son of Isaiah and Sally, born July 31, 1826; married Charlotte M. Roberts. Child, — Franklin, born May 28, 1855. Lives in Charlestown, and is a trader.

8. Nancy L., daughter of Isaiah and Sally, born March 24, 1825; married Charles Patridge. Children, — Alden; Sarah. They live in Philadelphia.

8. Charlotte L., daughter of Isaiah and Sally, born Dec. 25, 1817; married John F. Snow. Child, — Jonathan.

9. Jonathan Snow, son of Charlotte, married Deborah Hunt, and lives in Newport, N.H. Children, — Nathan, Franklin, Sarah.

8. Levi H., son of Isaiah and Sally, born Nov. 16, 1829; married Jane Cook. Child, — William H., born Oct. 17, 1856. He lives in Charlestown, and is a trader.

3. Daniel Read, son of Ralph, and grandson of William and Maybel, married Sarah Johnson, Jan. 17, 1699. She died in 1793, and he married Susanna Johnson. He purchased the homestead farm of the Squaw Sachem by deed, bearing date May, 1707, from one Fowle. The farm was situated near Mystic Ponds, near the line between Woburn and Charlestown, and comprising the farms now owned by Mr. Simms, Mr. Wyman, and others, his descendants. The heirs to the dignity and estate of the Squaw Sachem seemed to hover about this last relict of their savage royalty. It was on this farm that Seth Wyman shot the Indian, who was lurking about the neighborhood with

savage intent upon the peaceful occupants of the premises. Children, — Daniel, born Oct. 1, 1700; Sarah; Samuel, born April 31, 1707; Seth, March 23, 1709.

4. Daniel, son of Daniel of the Squaw Sachem Farm, born Oct. 1, 1700; married Mary Converse, Dec. 27, 1722. Children, — Sarah, born Sept. 8, 1722, married Hezekiah Wyman in 1745; Susannah, born Sept. 9, 1726; Hannah, Jan. 28, 1728; Ruth, July 9, 1729; Samuel, Dec. 16, 1730; James, April 4, 1741; Daniel, Feb. 19, 1732; Joshua, Nov. 8, 1734; Elizabeth, May 13, 1736; Esther, April 24, 1738; Ruth, Nov. 16, 1746. He was an innholder in Charlestown.

Seth Read, son of Daniel, 1st, of Squaw Sachem Farm, born March 23, 1709; married Lydia, and lived within the bounds of Charlestown, on the old homestead. Children, — Samuel, born July 22, 1733; Seth, April 7, 1736; Lydia, June 14, 1745; Daniel.

5. Daniel, son of Seth, married Dorothy Billings, April 12, 1762, at Medford, and had Daniel, Susan, and Precilla; Henry, born Jan. 27, 1785; Abigail, who died Oct. 15, 1820, aged eighty-seven.

6. Daniel, son of Daniel, married Precilla Wyman, Nov. 26, 1789. Children, — Daniel and Sibra, twins; Benjamin; Abigail; Lucretia, Eunice, and Roger, three at a birth; and Mary Billings.

5. James, son of Daniel and Mary, born April 4, 1741; married Margaret in 1765. Children, — James; Margaret; Polly; Betsy; Peggy, who was admitted to the church in Charlestown in 1788. He lived in Charlestown.

3. Joseph, son of Ralph, married Phebe. Children, — Phebe, born March 22, 1695; Joseph, Jan. 22, 1698; Joshua, Oct. 1, 1700; Nathaniel, March 28, 1704; Susanna, Aug. 17, 1707, married Samuel Fowle; Abigail, July 29, 1709. He lived at Woburn Westside, near where his father

and grandfather had lived. The place was owned and known for many years as the Sylvanus Wood Farm. His will was proved January, 1741.

4. Nathaniel, son of Joseph and Phebe, born March 28, 1704. Owned the farm now occupied by Mr. Gennison, a portion of his father's. The old house was taken down by Mr. Gennison some twenty or twenty-five years ago, and a new one built on the same spot. Married Hannah. Children, — Mary, born April 15, 1735; Joshua, Nov. 17, 1739.

4. Susanna, daughter of Joseph and Phebe, Aug. 17, 1707, married Samuel Fowle, Sept. 5, 1727, which resulted in a transfer of a portion of the old William Reed Farm from the heirs of his son Ralph to the Fowles.

Seth Reed, who was published in West Cambridge to Eliza Frost, July 9, 1820, is supposed to be a grandson of Seth, who was the son of Seth and Lydia of Charlestown; but no record. Lives in Lexington. Child, — Joseph G., who married N. Murphy in Charlestown, May 12, 1850.

5. Daniel, son of Daniel and Mary, born Feb. 19, 1732; married Abigail. Children, — Daniel, who died Nov. 10, 1800; Luke, born in 1769, married Mary Bridge. Married, for second wife, Mary Winn of Burlington, March 29, 1801. Children, — Mary B., born in 1801; Abigail, Aug. 12, 1806; Caroline, March 31, 1808; Delphina, Nov. 23, 1811; Caroline Delphina, Jan. 15, 1814. He lived on the homestead in Woburn Westside, and died Aug. 17, 1820. His widow still occupies the same place.

6. Daniel, son of Daniel and Abigail, married Elizabeth Wyman, second daughter of Ezra and Eunice Wyman, Oct. 16, 1788. He died Nov. 10, 1800. Child, — Ezra. His widow married Edmond Parker, of Woburn.

7. Ezra, son of Daniel and Elizabeth, married Fanny Fowle, Oct. 27, 1814, and occupied the old Israel Reed House at Woburn Centre, and had a blacksmith-shop across

the Common, near where the Town Hall now stands. He is now deceased.

Abigail, daughter of Daniel and Precilla, married Thomas Sprague.

Precilla, daughter of Daniel and Precilla, married Stephen Symmes; and they now own and occupy the old Squaw Sachem Farm. Children, — Precilla, married Josiah Locke; and Stephen.

Susan, daughter of Daniel and Precilla, married Mr. Huffmaster of West Medford. Children, — Martha Reed, Susan Jane, John, Isaac, Joseph, Abby, Mary, Sarah. The dwelling-house of Mr. Huffmaster stood in the range of the tornado that passed through Medford in 1852; and during this tornado, while he was trying to shut the outer door which had blown open, the roof of a barn fell against it, and Mr. Huffmaster was mortally wounded, and only survived about thirty hours. His widow and some of his children still live in the same place.

Susan Jane, daughter of Mr. Huffmaster and Susan Reed, married George W. Symmes of Medford. Children, — Louis, Mary, Abby, Ella, Hepsy; Martha Huffmaster, married John Norton; Susan Huffmaster, married Kendrick Chapman; Mary, married Henry Drake.

Henry Reed, son of Daniel of Squaw Sachem Farm, born Jan. 27, 1785; married Hannah Greenleaf, Aug. 23, 1810. Children, — Hannah M., born June 23, 1811; Susanna, Feb. 15, 1813; Henry F., June 15, 1818; Isaac R., Dec. 17, 1820, keeps No. 77, Union Street, Boston; Rebecca G., Sept. 1, 1823. He lived in Medford, and held the rank of captain. He was drowned in Medford River, Oct. 13, 1827. His widow and some of his children still live at the same place.

Benjamin, son of Daniel of Squaw Sachem Farm, lived and died in Medford.

4. Joseph, son of Joseph and Phebe, born at Woburn, June 22, 1698; married Sarah Rice of Sudbury, Nov. 26, 1723. Children, — James, 1724; Bethiah, Aug. 1, 1725; John, 1728. Married, for second wife, Sarah Reed, daughter of Daniel and Sarah, his first cousin, Jan. 1, 1729, by whom he had Joseph, born in Woburn. He died March 6, 1730, at Woburn, by some prevailing epidemic which carried off several of the family. He was a distinguished Indian hunter, and was associated with Seth Wyman and others of Capt. Lovwell's men in 1725, during their scouting for Indians. He lived a portion of the time after his marriage at Sudbury, but died at the house of his father at Woburn Westside, at the place known, in the present century, as the Sylvanus Wood Farm.

5. James, son of Joseph and Sarah of Sudbury, born in 1724; married Abigail Hinds of New Salem, and settled first in Brookfield, next in Lunenburg. Children, — Abigail, born in Brookfield, Jan. 20, 1749; James, 1746; Frederick, Aug. 16, 1752; Sylvanus, Jan. 7, 1755; Barzela, Jan. 23, 1756; Hinds, Nov. 29, 1757; Joseph, Feb. 17, 1763; Shefomith, born at Monadnoc No. 4, May 23, 1766.

He was one of the principal original proprietors of Monadnoc No. 4, now Fitzwilliam, in New Hampshire; and did much for the growth and prosperity of the town. He was captain in Col. Blanchard's regiment, serving under Sir William Johnson against the French and Indians near Lake George; and his military experience, energy of character, and commanding appearance, gave him a great influence over his relatives in Middlesex and Worcester Counties. They rallied with him, in almost countless numbers, at their country's call, and reddened the soil of Lexington and Charlestown with their blood. He commanded the second regiment at the battle of Bunker Hill, and a hundred and sixty-six of his regiment were killed or

wounded. He was in the battle of Bennington, West Point, Valley Forge, and New Jersey. He was the first brigade general appointed by the Provincial Congress. He had the misfortune to lose his eyesight while in the service, and retired on half-pay; and history seemed to neglect to do him justice, as no doubt exists that he was one of the most efficient generals of his time, and did much to arouse to action the section of country in which he lived. Eight of his townsmen were killed in Bunker-Hill battle. His oldest son James was in the army with him, and was a prisoner at Quebec. The elder James married Mary Farer of Framingham for his second wife, daughter of Major John Farer, born Jan. 8, 1742. He lived, the latter part of his life, in Keene; and died in 1807, aged eighty-five years.

6. James, son of Gen. James, born Aug. 25, 1746; married Mary Dodge of Lunenburg, Dec. 11, 1768, and left no issue. He was a Revolutionary pensioner, and died at Fitzwilliam in New Hampshire.

6. Sylvanus, son of Gen. James, born Jan. 7, 1755, at Lunenburg, N.H.; married Caroline Taylor in 1781. Children, — Caroline, born in 1782; Sylvanus, 1787, died in 1822; Sylvester, born 1791. The elder Sylvanus was with his father in the battle of Bunker Hill, and served through the war. He was afterwards much in town-business, and known as Col. Reed.

7. Sylvester, son of Sylvanus, born 1791; married Mary Bachelder in 1817. Children, — Caroline; Mary Ann, who married Robert Wade; Sylvanus; Lafayette. Sylvester lives in Battle Creek, Mich.

8. Sylvanus, son of Sylvester, married Caroline Gallop. Children, — Mary G., Sylvanus A., Suthom G. He is rector of an Episcopal church in Albany, N.Y.

6. Hinds, son of Gen. Reed, born at Lunenburg, Nov. 29, 1757. Children, — Barzela, born at Fitzwilliam, May 25,

1780; Nabby Hinds, 1779, married Oliver C. Wyman, who died in Boston, Jan. 7, 1850 (she died at Nahant, Jan. 3, 1851); Salome, born Dec. 30, 1781; James, July 30, 1784; Caroline, March 16, 1787; Beulah, Oct. 17, 1789; Abijah, June 4, 1792; Hinds, Nov. 16, 1794; Rapina, April 11, 1797; Eliza, May 14, 1799.

7. Barzela H., son of Hinds, born May 25, 1780; lives in Albany, Vt. He has three sons and six daughters, whose names are not given.

5. John, son of Joseph and Sarah, born in 1728. In 1730, after the prevailing epidemic had carried off several of the family, he was taken by the wife of Daniel Bugbee of Roxbury, his mother's sister, who carried him before her, on horseback, to her residence in Roxbury, where he lived till his majority, and learned the trade of a tanner of a Mr. Williams. He afterwards became a kind of steward or agent for Gov. Bowdoin, who owned great estates near Cape Cod, among which was Naushon Island and its dependencies, constituting the group known as the Elizabeth Islands, between Buzzard's Bay and Martha's Vineyard Sound, in whose employ he continued many years. He afterwards moved back to Roxbury, and was much in public life; being representative to the legislature, governor's council, justice of the peace and quorum throughout the Commonwealth, and land-agent for Massachusetts, which was at that time an important office. The town of Readfield in the State of Maine was named in honor of him. He named the town of Bowdoinham in honor of his early patron, Gov. Bowdoin; he being proprietor of both townships. His residence was what was afterwards the residence of Gov. Eustis. He died in Roxbury, June 3, 1813. Known as Major Read, from his having acted as paymaster of militia before the Revolution. He married Hannah Godard. Children, — John; William; Thomas, born Nov. 24, 1767.

6. John, son of Major John, married Maria Goodwin of Plymouth, daughter of Gen. Goodwin. Children, — John; Betsy; Hannah; George; Charles; William; Joseph; Isaac; Mary; Francis; Nancy, who married Mr. Byles; and five others, who died young. The powder magazine at Roxbury was in his charge many years. He was also a wine-merchant of Boston, and quite a distinguished man in his time.

7. George, son of John and Maria, born in Boston, July 25, 1789; married Rebecca Pierce of Newbury, Dec. 29, 1819. Children, — Caroline P., born in Boston, Feb. 18, 1821, married George Drew of Duxbury, Jan. 6, 1842; George P., born May 24, 1822, died Sept. 14, 1823; Mary Elizabeth, born April 2, 1824. His wife died May 9, 1824: he died at Roxbury, March 27, 1856.

8. Mary Elizabeth, daughter of George and Rebecca, born April 2, 1824; married George Weld of Roxbury, Dec. 14, 1848. Children, — George R., born at Roxbury, Nov. 25, 1849, died Nov. 26, 1849; Percy R., born Nov. 2, 1852, died Aug. 18, 1853; Clifford R., born Aug. 16, 1854. Mr. Weld died at his residence in Roxbury, Dec. 21, 1855. He belonged to the ancient family of Weld, who were among the early settlers of Roxbury; and lived upon a portion of the ancient Weld Lot.

Joseph, son of Joseph and Sarah, born at Woburn, Jan. 1, 1730, and settled in Sterling. Children, — Joseph, Joshua, Nathan, Danforth, Levi, William, Lincoln.

Nathan, son of Joseph, married Hannah Brooks, June 4, 1788. Children, — Joseph; Jabez.

Joseph A., son of Nathan and Hannah, married Mary B., who died July 28, 1822; married Turner, who died April 20, 1846. Children, — Nathan B., born June 17, 1827; Joseph P., March 12, 1829; Minerva, Oct. 29, 1831. He has been a major, and is one of the justices of peace for the county of Worcester.

Jabez, son of Nathan and Hannah, married Lavina B. Children, — Mary L., born March 20, 1832, died Jan. 12, 1852; Henry J., born July 3, 1814; Julia Ann, Aug. 11, 1837; Silas Harrison, Dec. 20, 1839; Harriet L., Nov. 30, 1842; Jabez E., Jan. 19, 1835, died March 14, 1845; Jabez; Eugine, born Oct. 5, 1848. He died Jan. 28, 1849.

Joshua, son of Joseph of Sterling, married Mariam Fairbanks, March 2, 1784.

Joseph S., son of Joseph A., lives in Princeton; married Ann E. Ames, May 18, 1854.

6. Thomas, son of Major John, born Nov. 24, 1767; married Ruth Wait of Roxbury. Children, — James Bowdoin, born July 5, 1790, died July 7, 1823; Ruth, Feb. 12, 1802, died Dec. 9, 1812; Rebecca, born Jan. 27, 1806, married John Pratt. Married, for second wife, Margaret Pratt of Bowdoinham. Child, — Thomas. The elder Thomas died Oct. 19, 1843: his first wife died July 26, 1826. He inherited large tracts of land in Maine by the will of his father. He settled in Bowdoinham, and was a man of wealth and business, and a magistrate.

James of Bowdoinham, son of Thomas, born July 5, 1790. Child, — Thomas, who lives in Waine, Me.

7. George, son of John, and grandson of Major John, married Rebecca Pierce of Newburyport.

7. Charles, son of John, and grandson of Major John, lived at one time in Portland, but moved back to Roxbury, and died there.

7. Joseph, son of John, and grandson of Major John, lived and died on the old place in Roxbury.

3. Timothy, son of George and Hannah of Woburn, born 1678; married Persis Kendall, his cousin. Children, — Persis, born July 31, 1711, married Jonathan Gray, Feb. 20, 1738; Timothy, born in 1713; Jacob, Jan. 31, 1714; Jonathan, May 19, 1718, married Kersey Converse, Feb. 26,

1739; Alice, born March 24, 1720; Amos, July 1, 1722; Ezekiel, Aug. 1, 1728. His father gave him forty acres of land in Woburn great lots, situated on the third and fourth range, by deed, bearing date March 15, 1700, and witnessed by John and Thomas. It is the place owned at this time by Mr. Duren, whose mother is a descendant of Timothy. The elder Timothy likewise owned land in Hodge's Hole. He died Oct. 17, 1758, aged eighty: his wife died Sept. 16, 1748.

5. Timothy, son of Timothy and Persis, born 1713; married Huldah. Child, — Huldah, born Feb. 24, 1745; married Jesse Russell, Oct. 14, 1779; and Russell inherited the estate.

4. Jacob, son of Timothy and Persis, born Jan. 31, 1714; married Elizabeth French of Billerica, June 19, 1774. Children, — Jacob, born April 30, 1745, died Dec. 30, 1770; Reuben, born March 2, 1747; Joseph, 1748; Amos; Isaac; Elizabeth, April 18, 1750; Sarah, July 25, 1752. His wife died Aug. 7, 1811, aged eighty-nine. He died July 20, 1804, aged ninety. He occupied the homestead of his father.

5. Isaac, son of Jacob and Elizabeth, married Susanna Munroe. Children, — Isaac, born in 1781; Susanna, 1782; William, 1785; Oliver, 1787; Thomas, Jan. 18, 1790; Reuben, March 25, 1791; Maxwell, 1795; Enos, Aug. 1, 1796. He died April 2, 1848, aged ninety-two.

6. Isaac, son of Isaac, born in 1781. His widow lives in Lexington. Children, — Isaac; William H.

7. Isaac, son of Isaac, keeps at No. 15 and 17, Boylston Market.

6. Thomas, son of Isaac and Susanna, born June 18, 1790. Children, — James M., Thomas, Henry, and one daughter, who married William Thomas, and lived at No. 1, Salem Place, Boston.

8. Children of William Thomas are Mary and William.

7. James M., son of Thomas, married Julia Stone of Portland. Children, — James Henry, Ann Maria, Nelly, John Stone, Theodore Franklin. He lives at No. 10, Unity Street, Boston.

7. Thomas, son of Thomas, married Sarah Bellamy. Children, — Martha White; William Bellamy. He died May 19, 1854, at No. 26, Snow-Hill Street, Boston.

7. Henry, son of Thomas of Lexington, married Mary Ann Austin. Children, — Caroline Austin, Harriet Josephine. He died April, 1849, in Greenough's Alley, Boston.

6. Reuben, son of Isaac, married Mary Willard. Children, — Reuben W.; Jonah H. He lives on the Middlesex Turnpike, in the north-easterly part of Lexington.

6. Enos, son of Isaac and Susanna, born Aug. 1, 1796; married Sarah. Children, — S. Henrietta, born June 12, 1823; Helen Maria, April 18, 1826; Weston S., Oct. 9, 1830; Enos W., Oct. 6, 1834; Harrietta, Aug. 3, 1837; Adalade, Oct. 30, 1839. He lives in East Cambridge, keeps a shoe-store, and is known as Deacon Reed.

6. William, son of Isaac and Susanna, born in 1785, died 1852; married Rebecca Wilson. Children, — William, George, Ann, Alfred, Franklin, Abby, and Charles.

7. George P., son of William, born at Boston, Nov. 8, 1813; married Julia W. Belcher of Boston, March 11, 1846. Has three children, — William Gorham; Julia E.; Alfred Augustus. Lives at Roxbury.

7. Alfred, son of William, married Caroline van Sou; and they have four children.

7. Frank, son of William, married Laurelia A. Bramwell. He died at the Cape of Good Hope, leaving one child. His widow lives at No. 37, Essex Street, Boston.

5. Joseph, son of Jacob and Elizabeth, born in 1748; married Eunice Cook of Cambridge, July 4, 1785. Chil-

dren, — Joseph, born April 7, 1776; Eunice, April 1, 1780, married Ebenezer Jenkins; Reuben, born May 9, 1785; Elizabeth, Nov. 22, 1787, married John Raynor; Sarah, born Dec. 22, 1790, married Abel Baker. The elder Joseph lived near the College in Cambridge. Died Feb. 23, 1816.

6. Joseph, son of Joseph and Eunice, born April 7, 1776; married Elizabeth Keyes. Children, — Joseph; Catherine, who married Dr. Warren of Newton; Harriet, married Freeman Allen of Boston; Ellen, married Rev. Dr. Miron Winslow, and went missionary to India; Charlotte, married Charles Reed of Salem. Elizabeth, the wife of Joseph, died Sept. 30, 1825, aged seventy-six.

6. Reuben, son of Joseph and Eunice, born May 9, 1785; married Hannah Hovey, May 2, 1813, and carried on carriage-building and harness-making in Elm Street, Boston, in all its branches, more than forty years; but has now retired, and lives at No. 39, Lyne Street. Children, — Reuben, born Sept. 9, 1814, died Oct. 3, 1814; Reuben A., born Feb. 12, 1817, died June 2, 1830; Charles H., born Feb. 7, 1819, died June 26, 1822.

6. Oliver, son of Isaac and Susanna, born in 1790; married Sarah Thayer of Braintree. Children, — Caroline Augusta; Emily, born April, 1813; Theodore, Dec. 19, 1823; Angelina A., Dec. 19, 1825; Cordelia R., Sept. 26, 1827; Julia A., October, 1822. He died in Boston, August, 1832: his wife died in Chelsea, Dec. 8, 1849.

7. Caroline A., daughter of Oliver and Sarah, married George W. Porter. Child, — George Augustus. She is not living.

7. Theodore, son of Oliver and Sarah, born Dec. 19, 1823; married Martha A. Adams of Quincy. Children, — Oliver, born 1851; Herbert, 1857. He lives at Portage, Wis.

7. Angelina A., daughter of Oliver and Sarah, born Dec. 19, 1825; married James Gammons, jun. Children,

— George Gordon, born Nov. 1, 1853; Elbert Howard, Sept. 21, 1855. They live at No. 64, Pearl Street, Chelsea.

Huldah, daughter of Timothy and Huldah, born Feb. 24, 1745; married Jesse Russell, Oct. 14, 1779. Children, — Jesse; Mary.

Mary, daughter of Jesse Russell and Huldah, married Abraham Duren, from Carlisle, Oct. 25, 1801. Children, — Samuel R., born May 29, 1803; Lydia, Dec. 13, 1805, married Joseph Kendall; Warren, born Feb. 14, 1809; William, June 5, 1813; Abraham, Nov. 21, 1815.

Mr. Duren died on the farm formerly owned by the grandfather, Timothy Reed. The widow still resides in the same place; and her three sons live on the same farm, and also own the farm adjoining, formerly the residence of the great-grandfather of Mrs. Duren, Jacob Reed; the house upon it having been built by her great-great-grandfather Timothy, and the land given to Timothy by his father, Deacon George Reed, the first of Woburn, by deed, bearing date March 15, 1700. His father had then owned it several years, so that some portion of this property has been in the hands of the same family nearly two hundred years; and, though it is now out of the name, the Reeds have no cause of complaint, as the present incumbents have fitted up the houses and out-buildings in excellent taste. They have also covered the land over with a vast number of fruit-trees; and the land, in every respect, shows the hand of the skilful cultivator. These houses and farms now are known as Durenville; and it is truly a delightful spot, — rich in every thing that makes farms attractive. The Duren Family also own the farm which was bought by William Reed, the father of George, in 1648, by deed, from Nicholas Davis. It is two hundred and ten years since this last-named farm came into the family of Reed; and though it passed out of the name more than a hundred

years ago, yet it has been in the descendants of William Reed the most of the time. It passed, first, from the Reeds to the Fowles, but not without marriage alliance; and from Fowle to Col. Baldwin. Baldwin's wife was Margery Fowle, married May 19, 1791. It afterwards passed into the hands of Capt. Fox. His mother was Elizabeth Reed, who married Thomas Fox, March 31, 1763. The buildings upon this farm have long been gone, and the farm mostly turned to pasturing; and a good growth of wood has been cut from where the first William Reed, and his children after him, were wont to swing their scythes. The old cellar and well are yet remaining to call the mind back through the centuries that are past.

Samuel R. Duren, son of Abraham and Mary, and grandson of Huldah Reed and Jesse Russell, born March 29, 1803; married Sybil Spaulding of Billerica, Dec. 12, 1826. Children, — Samuel R., born Sept. 29, 1828; William Henry, June 19, 1831, who is now in California. Married, for second wife, Ann Searls of Nashua, N.H.

Warren, son of Abraham Duren and Mary, born April 14, 1809; married Mary Ann Merritt, and, for second wife, Mary Chandler, daughter of William Chandler, Esq., of Lexington.

William Duren, son of Abraham and Mary, born June 5, 1813; married Augusta Locke. Child, — Henrietta.

Abraham, son of Abraham and Mary Duren, born Nov. 21, 1815; married Prudence Simonds. Children, — George, Mary Ann, Nelmina, Carry.

5. Amos, son of Jacob and Elizabeth, born May 15, 1754; married Lydia Simonds of Burlington, Oct. 7, 1786. Children, — Lydia, born in Woburn, April 18, 1782, lives in Salem; Jacob, otherwise John, July 31, 1784; Elizabeth, June 18, 1786; Ann, Aug. 29, 1789; Amos, Aug. 24, 1791; Sally, Sept. 16, 1793, lives in Salem; Reuben, March 5,

1795, died April 3, 1833; Fanny, born May 20, 1798; Franklin, Sept. 20, 1800. The elder Amos died at Danvers, Oct. 9, 1812: his wife died at Salem, Aug. 17, 1850, in her ninetieth year.

6. Jacob Reed, son of Amos and Lydia, born in Woburn, July 31, 1784; married Mary Winship of West Cambridge. Children, — George Washington, born Oct. 12, 1810; Charles Albert, Dec. 25, 1812; Eveline, Dec. 15, 1815; Warren A., Nov. 17, 1823; John F., July 28, 1821; Elizabeth. He had his name altered to John, and lives in Salem. He did business in the market at Salem many years, but has now retired; and his sons succeed him.

7. George W., son of Jacob, otherwise John, and Mary, born Oct. 12, 1810; married Anna Southwick, the twentieth day of the tenth month, 1842: they were married at Lynn, by the Society of Friends. He graduated at Cambridge College in 1831, and was at first a Baptist minister; but, embracing the doctrines of the Society of Friends, he left the pulpit, and had his middle name altered from Washington to Fox, and is now a teacher, in Salem, by the name of George Fox Reed.

7. Charles Albert, son of John and Mary of Salem, born Dec. 25, 1812; married Charlotte Reed, daughter of Joseph, his second cousin. Child, — Charles, born in 1840. Charles Albert lives at Newton Corner, and has been agent of the Western Railroad.

7. Warren A., son of John and Mary of Salem, born Nov. 17, 1823; married Sarah E. Bennett, March 3, 1853. Child, — Charles Warren, born May 18, 1856.

7. John F., son of John and Mary of Salem, born July 28, 1821; married Caroline Chase of Salem. Child, — a daughter, born in 1857.

6. Elizabeth, daughter of Amos and Lydia, married Benjamin Gates of Stow, and moved to New-York City. Chil-

dren, — Albert, born June 19, 1812; Emily, Aug. 28, 1813; Benjamin F., Sept. 22, 1821.

7. Albert Gates, son of Elizabeth Reed and Benjamin Gates, born June 19, 1812; married Harriet, and has four children.

7. Emily, daughter of Elizabeth Reed and Benjamin Gates, born Aug. 28, 1813; married Christopher Garrison of Newark, N.J. Child, — Christopher, born Aug. 11, 1846.

7. Benjamin F. Gates, son of Elizabeth and Benjamin, born Aug. 22, 1821; married Elizabeth A. Mackenzie of New-York City, and resides there, and has a child, born in 1857.

7. George Gates, son of Elizabeth and Benjamin, born in 1816; died young.

6. Ann, daughter of Amos and Lydia, born in Woburn, April 29, 1789; married Nathan Frye, June 14, 1812. Children, — Lydia Ann, born Oct. 22, 1813; Nathan Augustus, Nov. 25, 1815; Daniel Osmond, 1820, died on the coast of Africa, Aug. 15, 1843, aged twenty-three years. Mr. Frye is a retired ship-master, and lives at No. 354, Essex Street, Salem.

7. Lydia Ann, daughter of Ann Reed and Capt. Frye, born Oct. 22, 1813; married Thomas B. Russell, June 14, 1846. Child, — Thomas Franklin Russell, born in 1847; died Sept. 3, 1851.

7. Nathan Augustus Frye, son of Capt. Frye and Ann, born Nov. 25, 1815; married Sarah M. Russell in Salem, March 11, 1840. Children, — Nathan A., born Dec. 22, 1840; Anna M., Feb. 1, 1842, died Feb. 19, 1848; Daniel Ormond, born Dec. 5, 1847; Charles Russell, March 31, 1853; Arthur M., June 17, 1854.

6. Amos, son of Amos and Lydia, born Aug. 24, 1791; married Joanna Allen in Elizabethtown, N.J. Children, — Ann, born Aug. 11, 1822; Sarah E., Oct. 22, 1825, died

April 4, 1845; Henrietta Frances, born Dec. 27, 1829; Amos A., Dec. 6, 1833, went to Australia. Amos died in Elizabethtown, Nov. 30, 1835: his wife died June 6, 1847.

7. Ann, daughter of Amos and Joanna of Elizabethtown, born Aug. 11, 1822; married William P. Crawford, Mar. 6, 1841. Children, — Joseph, born Dec. 11, 1842; Sarah E., May 8, 1844; William Reed Crawford, Dec. 8, 1846, died young.

7. Henrietta Frances, daughter of Amos and Joanna, born in 1827; married a Mr. Russell of Elizabethtown in 1857.

7. Joanna, daughter of Amos and Joanna, born Dec. 27, 1829; married Henry Smith in 1846. Children, — Joanna Eliza, born June 4, 1847; William Crawford Smith, Oct. 4, 1849.

6. Reuben, son of Amos and Lydia, born May 20, 1798; married Abigail Foster for first wife, and Fidelia Swan for second wife. Child, — Edward.

6. Franklin Reed, son of Amos and Lydia, born Sept. 20, 1800; died in Salem, Oct. 5, 1823, single.

6. Frances or Fanny Reed, daughter of Amos and Lydia, born May 20, 1798; married Amos Breed of Lynn. Child, — Amos Franklin.

7. Amos Franklin, son of Fanny Reed and Amos Breed, married Anna Lynsey of Lynn. Children, — Ruth Ann, born in 1856; Amos F.

5. Reuben, son of Jacob and Elizabeth, born March 2, 1747; married Elizabeth Baron, Feb. 2, 1793.

4. Ezekiel, son of Timothy and Persis, born Aug. 1, 1728; married Widow Mary Locke, June 17, 1760. Child, — Ezekiel, born Aug. 20, 1760.

3. Thomas, son of George and Hannah of Woburn, born July 15, 1682; married Sarah Sawyer, Feb. 1, 1704. Children, — Thomas, born Nov. 18, 1704; Samuel, June 5,

1710; Hannah, June 2, 1714; Mary, Jan. 6, 1717; Abigail, May 24, 1721, died Dec. 7, 1736; Kesiah, Oct. 28, 1726; Charles, May 11, 1730. He received a quit-claim deed of half of his father's farm, signed by his brother John and wife Ruth and his mother, April 5, 1706. The farm was then bounded easterly, westerly, and northerly by land of Timothy Walker; and, on the west, partly by land of Thomas Kendall; reserving to their brother Timothy certain rights and privileges. His deed also conveyed land at Ragrock and Rockpond. He bought land in Hodge's Hole, Aug. 17, 1707. He died Aug. 18, 1736, aged fifty-four; and his gravestone is standing near that of his brother George and others of the Reed Family, in the southwesterly quarter of Woburn Old Burying-ground. He was called Lieut. Reed.

4. Thomas, son of Thomas and Sarah of Woburn, born Nov. 18, 1704; married Lydia. Children, — Lydia, born Oct. 17, 1737; Thomas, Dec. 22, 1740; Sarah, June 26, 1742; Abigail, Aug. 21, 1743; Joseph, Dec. 23, 1745; Kersia, Aug. 24, 1746. In 1714, he bought a farm of John Connell, containing several pieces of land; and Benjamin Pierce, Henry Johnson, and William Johnson, are abutters. This last-mentioned farm is in Woburn west side, on the road by Mystic Pond; and, I believe, is still in the possession of the Reed Family. The Pierce Farm is still owned by a Pierce, and is the starting-point of the ancestors of Franklin Pierce.

5. Joseph, son of Thomas and Lydia, born Dec. 23, 1745; married Relief Richardson. Child, — William, born July 24, 1768. His wife died, and he married Lavina Bond. Children, — Joseph, baptized Feb. 3, 1771; Edmond, baptized Sept. 20, 1772; Lydia, born June, 1772; Moses, 1774; John, 1775. Joseph, the elder, was a man of property and influence in Cambridge, but suffered much in property during the Revolution.

6. William, son of Joseph and Relief, born July 24, 1768; married Lavina Chickering, 1788. Child, — Lorinda.

6. Joseph, son of Joseph and Lavina, married Mary Massy, July 8, 1794. Children, — Nancy, born May 21, 1795; Lefa Richardson, March 8, 1777, died July 9, 1820; Jane B., born Aug. 14, 1799, married D. M. Spear, Nov. 11, 1834; Joseph M., born Feb. 5, 1802, married M. Seymore, July 23, 1828; Sophia W., born March 10, 1804; Leonard Richardson, June 20, 1806, died Oct. 6, 1854; Mary, born July 1, 1808, died Jan. 31, 1838; Sarah Lord, born Feb. 4, 1811, died Aug. 29, 1813. He died June 28, 1830: his wife died Aug. 10, 1845.

7. Joseph, son of Joseph and Mary of Cambridge, born Feb. 5, 1802; married Louisa Seymore, July 23, 1828. Children, — Sarah Jane, born March 23, 1829, died May 4, 1830; Carlton I., born Jan. 24, 1831, is a professor in Union College; Leonard, Nov. 26, 1832; Lucretia, March 3, 1833; Adaline S., Feb. 26, 1836; Mary, Feb. 7, 1838; John, April 6, 1840; Francis M., Jan. 20, 1846; Nancy M., May 26, 1829.

7. Leonard, son of Joseph and Mary, born June 20, 1806. Child, — James, born Nov. 26, 1826; occupies the homestead.

7. Mary, daughter of Joseph and Mary, born July 1, 1808; married James Reed, the son of an English barrister, Sept. 1, 1830. Children, — Mary E., born June 27, 1831; William Lowell, Nov. 6, 1835, — a gentleman of liberal education, now fitting a class of young men for college in Newtown on Long Island.

5. Thomas, son of Thomas and Lydia, born Dec. 22, 1740; married Rhoda Crosby, July 2, 1761. Married his second wife, Alice Pierce, April 1, 1773, in Cambridge.

Samuel Read, born in England, March 6, 1774; married Catherine Hardy, June, 1803. Sailed from England in May,

1804; and died in September, 1804, leaving a son James, born Oct. 12, 1804.

James, son of Samuel and Catherine, married Mary, daughter of Joseph Reed and Mary Massy, Sept. 1, 1830, and had Mary E. and William Lowell.

4. Jonathan, son of Timothy and Persis, born at Woburn, May 19, 1718; married Kersey Converse, Feb. 26, 1839, at Lexington. Children, — Jonathan, born in Woburn, June 15, 1740; Robert, Aug. 3, 1742, at Lexington; Jude; Mehitabel, born Sept. 25, 1748, married George Lilley; Joel, baptized at Cambridge, Nov. 12, 1749; Phebe, baptized Feb. 2, 1752, married John Foot; Amos, baptized Dec. 30, 1753; Samuel; Ann, born in the boat when they were fleeing to escape the tomahawk and scalping-knife of the Indians, married George Cooch; Mary, married Nathaniel Hathorn. He moved from Cambridge to Woolwich, Me., soon after the birth of his son Amos, probably in 1754, where he and his family suffered much during the French and Revolutionary Wars; but left a numerous and enterprising posterity, and his old homestead is occupied by one of his descendants of the name of Alfred Reed. His descendants are mostly settled in the neighborhood of the Kennebec River. He died in 1803, aged eighty-five; and his wife died in 1808.

5. Jonathan, son of Jonathan and Kersey of Woolwich, Me., born at Woburn, Mass., June 15, 1740; married Joanna Call, and settled in Dresden. Children, — Obadiah, settled in Pittston; Isaac, settled in Pittston; Stephen, settled in Dresden; David, settled in Dresden, and was a sea-captain, married Sarah King, died in Pittston, March 22, 1851; Betsy; Amos; Daniel, settled in Dresden, and was a sea-captain; Jacob, settled in Dresden; Rebecca. He was a captain of militia at the time of the Revolution.

5. Robert, son of Jonathan and Kesiah, or Kersey, born

in Lexington, Aug. 3, 1742, and settled in Woolwich; married Catherine Mayers. Children, — George; John; Samuel; Mary; Robert, settled in China; James C.; Betsy; Ulrich; Nancy.

6. Obadiah, son of Jonathan and Joanna, settled in Pittston; married Mary Pottle, Dec. 2, 1810. Children, — Betsy, born June 3, 1811, married John R. Taylor; Frances, born Nov. 3, 1812; Daniel, April 11, 1814; Jonathan, March 14, 1816; William, March 22, 1818; Cordelia, Jan. 14, 1820, married Leonard Cooper. He was a freeholder, and payer of direct taxes, in 1799; and died in 1851.

6. Isaac, son of Jonathan and Joanna of Pittston, married Betsy Robinson. Children, — Isaac, born May 3, 1819; Robinson, Feb. 21, 1821; Lydia, Nov. 12, 1815; Elizabeth, Oct. 22, 1822; Lucy Freeman, Sept. 21, 1824. He was among the freeholders of Pittston in 1799. Died in 1829.

7. Jonathan, son of Obadiah and Mary of Pittston, born March 14, 1816; married Eliza A. Richardson. Children, — George T., born May 5, 1840; Zorushe, Sept. 27, 1843; Clara Ellen, Dec. 8, 1850.

7. Daniel, son of Obadiah, born April 11, 1814; married Hannah. Children, — Hiram, born June 11, 1840; Laura, May 2, 1846. He died Nov. 19, 1845.

7. William, son of Obadiah, born March 22, 1818; married Julia A. Palmer. Children, — Warren A., born July 11, 1844; Safons, May 19, 1847; Arienna, Feb. 12, 1841, died Sept. 14, 1856; Daniel A., born Aug. 25, 1852.

5. Mehitable, daughter of Jonathan and Kersey, baptized at Cambridge, Sept. 25, 1748; married George Lilley. Children, — Converse, who was a sea-captain; George; Robert; Samuel, a sea-captain; Isaac, a sea-captain; Mehitable; Betsey.

5. Joel, son of Jonathan and Kersey, baptized at Cam-

bridge, Nov. 12, 1749, and settled in Woolwich; married Eunice Webb. Children,—Sarah; Joel, settled in Dresden; Mehitable; Eunice; Ebenezer, settled in Brooklyn, N.Y.; Susanna; Webb, settled in Canaan, Me.; Betsy; Nathan, went to the British dominions.

5. Phebe, daughter of Jonathan and Kersey, baptized at Cambridge, Feb. 2, 1752; married John Foot. Children,—Annie, Mercy, Martha, David.

5. Amos, son of Jonathan and Kersey, baptized at Cambridge, Dec. 30, 1755; settled in Dresden. Married Annie Webb. Children,—Amos, Fanny, Mary, Converse.

5. Samuel, son of Jonathan and Kersey, settled in Woolwich; married Mary Winship. Children,—Winship, who married Mary Ann Hatch, and was murdered at sea; Samuel; Charles, a sea-captain; Alfred, who now lives on the old homestead of Jonathan and Kersey; Samuel, the son of Jonathan, was a sea-captain during the Revolution; was taken prisoner by the British, and suffered many hardships.

5. Ann, daughter of Jonathan and Kersey, who was born after they moved to Woolwich, in the midst of the reign of terror caused by the French War, in which the Indians as well as French were infuriated against the English and Americans, and sought opportunities to butcher them. She married George Couch. Children,—Phebe, James, Sarah, Stephen, Kesiah.

5. Mary, daughter of Jonathan and Kersey, born at Woolwich; married Nathaniel Hathorn. Children,—James, Lemuel, Catherine, Amy, Nathaniel, Jude, Matilda, Lucinda, Wyman, Hannah, Mehitable; numbering fifty-three grandchildren of Jonathan and Kersey, most of whom are located in the neighborhood of the Kennebec.

6. James Converse Reed, son of Robert and Catherine, married Kesiah C. Couch, his first cousin. Children,—Jude, and two daughters.

7. Jude Reed, son of James C. and Kesiah.

Henry of Pittston, and Mary Ann, had William, born Sept. 17, 1815; Joseph, April 5, 1817.

6. Capt. Daniel Reed of Dresden, son of Jonathan, married Sarah King of Pittston, Jan. 18, 1824.

David Reed of Pittston married Hannah W. Joy; published Nov. 10, 1838.

6. Winshop Reed of Dresden, son of Samuel and Mary, married Ann Patch; published Feb. 2, 1843.

Lewellyn Reed of Dresden married Charlotte McLain, June 28, 1856.

6. Capt. Daniel, son of Jonathan, married Hannah W. Joy, Nov. 10, 1838. Child, — Laura, born May 2, 1846. He died Nov. 19, 1845.

2. Rebecca, daughter of William and Mabel, born probably at Muddy River, now Brookline; married Joseph Winn of Woburn, son of Edward, who was made freeman in 1643. His son Increase, elder brother of Joseph, was the first person born in Woburn. The name Winn is said to be a corruption of Lewellyn, the name of the Welsh prince taken and slain by Edward I. Joseph Winn died Feb. 22, 1714; and Rebecca died in 1734. Children, — Rebecca, born at Woburn, May 25, 1665; Sarah, Nov. 9, 1666; Joanna; Abigail, June 18, 1670; Joseph, May 15, 1674; Timothy, who died March 22, 1678; Rebecca and Hannah, twins, born Feb. 14, 1679; Rebecca, married Timothy Spaulding of Chelmsford, March 5, 1700; Annie, born Nov. 1, 1684; Timothy, Feb. 27, 1687.

3. Timothy, son of Ensign Joseph and Rebecca, born at Woburn, Feb. 27, 1687; married Elizabeth Brooks. Children, — Timothy, who married Mary Bowers of Billerica; Elizabeth, born Sept. 1, 1719, who married Nehemiah Wyman, December, 1742. Married Jane Belknap for second wife, Feb. 18, 1730. Children, — Ruth, born Aug. 6, 1732,

married a Reed, and went to Maine; Joseph, July 3, 1734; Jerusha, Aug. 4, 1740, who married Jonathan Burnham, Sept. 27, 1744. The elder Timothy died in 1752, aged sixty-five.

4. Timothy, son of Timothy and Elizabeth, married Mary Bowers. Child, — Timothy, born Dec. 20, 1740. The father died March 3, 1800.

5. Timothy, son of Timothy and Mary, born at Woburn, Dec. 20, 1740; married Sarah Reed, Jan. 23, 1766. Child, — Jonathan. Married Mary Bridge of Chelmsford for second wife. Children, — Timothy, born Sept. 20, 1773, and married Rebecca Delano; Ebenezer Bridge, Nov. 13, 1777; Jonathan B., Dec. 8, 1780; William, Feb. 14, 1784.

6. Timothy, son of Timothy and Mary, born at Woburn, Sept. 20, 1773; married Rebecca Delano. Child, — Mary, born June 8, 1775, and married Luke Reed, March 29, 1801.

6. Ebenezer, son of Timothy and Mary, born at Woburn, Nov. 13, 1777; married Elizabeth Wheat of Burlington.

6. Jonathan B., son of Timothy and Mary, born at Woburn, Dec. 8, 1780; married Mary Adams of Westford.

6. William, son of Timothy and Mary, born at Woburn, Feb. 14, 1784; married Rebecca Walker, daughter of Edward and Abigail (Reed) Walker, Aug. 29, 1805. Children, — William, born April 8, 1809; Jonathan Bowers, Aug. 24, 1811; Abigail, Sept. 6, 1814, who married Jonas Hale; Timothy, born Sept. 25, 1817. His wife died May 11, 1826. He married Mary Cutler, for second wife, Dec. 21, 1826. Child, — Lavinia, born Nov. 4, 1827; who married Rev. Daniel Winn, pastor of the second Baptist Church of Salem, Mass. He was a distinguished man in town-business; was a justice of the peace, and a colonel. He died at Woburn, April 13, 1856.

7. William, son of William and Abigail, born at Burling-

ton, April 8, 1809; married Abigail Parker, April 8, 1834, and lives on the old farm, in what is now Burlington, near the line of Woburn.

7. Jonathan Bowers, son of William and Abigail, born at Burlington, Aug. 24, 1811; married Nancy W. Cummings of Woburn. Children, — Maria Ann, born at Woburn, Aug. 25, 1836; Charles Bowers, May 15, 1838. Jonathan B. lives in Woburn, but is an extensive dealer in leather, in Boston.

7. Timothy, son of William and Abigail, born at Burlington, Sept. 25, 1817; married Abigail M. Kendall.

4. Joseph, son of Timothy and Jane, born at Woburn, July 3, 1734; married Betty Pool of Lynn. Children, — Betsy, Abel, Joseph, George.

Joseph, son of Joseph and Betty, moved to Salem, and became distinguished in town and county affairs. He was a county commissioner several years.

Abel, son of Joseph and Betty. Children, — Betsy, Abel, Joseph, George, Mary. He was an enterprising and wealthy man; was a justice of the peace, &c.; and, for many years, he supplied the State's Prison with vegetables. His farm is now occupied by his sons Abel and George, and is so located, that when Woburn Precinct was set off in 1790 as a town, by the name of Burlington, it left a portion of the farm in both towns; and though Abel and George live only a few rods apart, yet the town-line runs between them.

2. Abigail, daughter of William and Mabel, married Francis Wyman of Woburn, Oct. 2, 1650. Children, — Judith, born Sept. 29, 1652, died Dec. 29, 1652; Francis, born 1654, died April 26, 1676; William, born 1656, died 1705; Abigail, who married Stephen Richardson, Jan. 2, 1675, died Sept. 17, 1720; Timothy, born Sept. 15, 1661, died 1709; Joseph, born Nov. 9, 1663, died July 24, 1714; Nathaniel, born Nov. 25, 1665; Samuel, Nov. 29, 1667;

Thomas, April 1, 1671; Benjamin, Aug. 25, 1674; Stephen, June 2, 1676; Judith, Jan. 15, 1679, married Nathaniel Bacon.

3. William, son of Francis Wyman and Abigail Reed, born at Woburn about 1656; married Prudence, daughter of Thomas Putnam. He died in 1705. Children, — William, born Jan. 18, 1683; Prudence, Dec. 26, 1683, married Jacob Winn, jun., June 28, 1704; William, born Jan. 15, 1685, — his posterity live in Charlestown; Thomas, born Aug. 23, 1687, settled in Pelham, N.H.; Elizabeth, born July 5, 1689, died June 25, 1690; Francis, born July 10, 1691, settled in Maine; Joshua, born Jan. 3, 1693, — posterity in Roxbury, and Keene, N.H.; daughter, died 1694; Edward, of Pelham, N.H., born Jan. 19, 1696, — posterity in Cambridge, and Cornish, N.H.; Elizabeth, born Feb. 16, 1697; Deliverence, Feb. 28, 1700, married Ezekiel Gowen, jun., of Lynn, Jan. 1, 1732; James, born March 16, 1702, settled in Maine.

3. Timothy, son of Francis and Abigail, born at Woburn, Sept. 15, 1661; married Hannah Wyman. Children, — Hannah, born July 7, 1688; Timothy, April 5, 1691; Solomon, Oct. 24, 1693; Joseph, Nov. 1, 1695; Eunice, Feb. 24, 1697, married Henry Tottingham, Sept. 7, 1771; Ann, born March 26, 1700; Judith, married John Wright of Ashford, Conn., March 23, 1725; Eli, born March 11, 1704, died Aug. 22, 1728; Ebenezer, born March 21, 1706, settled in Townsend, — his descendants in Maine; Hester; Elizabeth; Prudence, born March 8, 1709, married Thomas Phelps.

3. Nathaniel, son of Francis and Abigail, born at Woburn, Nov. 25, 1665; married Mary Winn; and his widow married John Locke, Nov. 30, 1720. Children, — Nathaniel, born May 23, 1693, died Dec. 13, 1715; Mary, born May 28, 1694, died about May 23, 1763, insane; Abigail, born Oct. 5,

1695, married Benjamin Gowen; Ruth, born April 17, 1697, married Thomas Gould of Charlestown, Aug. 1, 1721; Hannah, born April 23, 1699, married Timothy Wyman; Eliza, born Nov. 11, 1700, married John Geary of Charlestown; Phebe, born June 11, 1702, married Thomas Geary of Stoneham; Rebecca, born April 14, 1704, married Thomas Holden, March 7, 1723; Joanna, born July 25, 1705, married Jonathan Holden, Dec. 30, 1731; Increase, born March 1, 1707; Sarah, Aug. 21, 1710, married Ezekiel Walker, July 6, 1732; Keziah, born April 5, 1713, married John Reed, Dec. 9, 1735, died Jan. 14, 1756.

3. Samuel, son of Francis and Abigail, born at Woburn, Nov. 29, 1667; married Rebecca, daughter of Mathew Johnson, in 1692. Children, — Rebecca, born Nov. 11, 1693, married Thomas Richardson of Woburn, Sept. 29, 1713; Abigail, born Feb. 5, 1695, married Jonathan Richardson of Woburn; Hannah, born Dec. 10, 1696, married Samuel Parker, May 10, 1725; Sarah, born Feb. 2, 1698, married John Coggin, Aug. 31, 1726, died May 22, 1732; Samuel, born March 18, 1700, — posterity in Boston; Oliver, born Sept. 5, 1701, settled in Leominster; Lydia, born Jan. 1, 1703, married Oliver Richardson of Woburn, July 24, 1729, died Oct. 26, 1754; Patience, born Jan. 11, 1705, married Edward Deane, May 1, 1740, died June 15, 1741; Matthew, born Aug. 3, 1707, settled in Lancaster; Esther, born Feb. 25, 1709.

3. Thomas, son of Francis and Abigail, born at Woburn, April 1, 1671; married Mary, daughter of Nathaniel Richardson, May 5, 1696; died Sept. 4, 1731. His widow married Josiah Winn of Woburn, Aug. 17, 1733, and died June 7, 1743. Children, — Thomas, born May 12, 1697; Josiah, March 18, 1700; Phineas, 1701; Timothy, March 1, 1702; Benjamin, June 12, 1704; John, July 6, 1706, died March 26, 1739; Mary, born March 10, 1708, married Na-

thaniel Clark of Watertown, June 13, 1726; Aaron, born Dec. 6, 1709; Eleazer, April 13, 1712; Nathaniel, May 18, 1716; Elizabeth, Dec. 19, 1718, married a Blodget.

3. Benjamin, son of Francis and Abigail, born Aug. 25, 1674; married Elizabeth, daughter of Nathaniel Hancock of Cambridge. She married, for second husband, Jonathan Bacon of Bedford, Aug. 22, 1739; died at Medford, March 2 or 3, 1749. Stephen, born June 2, 1676, died Aug. 19, 1676; Judith, Jan. 15, 1679, married Nathaniel Bacon. Children, — Elizabeth, born May 1, 1705, married Jacob Richardson, June 11, 1724, died Oct. 20, 1749; Benjamin, born Nov. 13 or Dec. 17, 1706, settled in Woburn,— his posterity live in Lexington, Cambridge, and New York; Lucy, born April 17, 1708, married Nathaniel Davenport of Shrewsbury in 1729, and died Oct. 25, 1730; Zebediah, born June 21, 1709, — descendants in Cambridge; Eunice, born Nov. 16, 1710, married Robert Pierce, Oct. 28, 1736, died May 5, 1774; Jerusha, born July 23, 1712, married Edward Richardson, Feb. 24 or April 14, 1730, died April 10, 1784; Tabitha, born April 7, 1714, married Josiah Kendall, March 17, 1736, died April 24, 1800; Abijah, born Sept. 20, 1717, settled in Lancaster; Catherine, born May 6, 1717, married William Tufts of Medford, Feb. 28, 1732, died Feb. 20, 1749; Nathaniel, born Jan. 26, 1719, settled in Lancaster; Abigail, born Aug. 26, 1720, married Jacob Snow, April 8, 1740, died Oct. 31, 1771; Martha, born May 7, 1722, married Samuel Deane, Sept. 6, 1739; Noah, born July 30, 1724, died Dec. 10, 1726; Jonas, born July 26, 1725, died Jan. 20, 1746, — was a soldier at Lewisburg; Reuben, born Nov. 9, 1726, settled in Wilmington; descendants in Concord, N.H.

3. William, son of Ralph, born 1658; married Elizabeth Pierce. Children, — William, born Aug. 23, 1682; Mary, March 12, 1685; Elizabeth, Feb. 23, 1686. The elder Wil-

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liam was accidentally shot by his brother Timothy, Nov. 7, 1688. His widow married John Cutler, Oct. 14, 1694.

3. David, son of Ralph, married Susanna Johnson, June 6, 1704, and settled first in Watertown.

4. William, son of William and Elizabeth, born in Woburn, Aug. 23, 1682; married Abial, in Lexington. Child, — William, born at Lexington, Dec. 7, 1714, and settled in Westborough. He married Sarah Wood, in Acton, May 28, 1740.

3. Timothy, son of Ralph, born Feb. 14, 1664; married Martha Boydon, Dec. 27, 1688. Children, — Martha, born March 1, 1669; Timothy, June 11, 1692; William, Oct. 5, 1694; Benjamin, Jan. 31, 1698; Jonathan, Dec. 15, 1701; Elizabeth, Dec. 1, 1706. He sold his farm, in 1719, to his nephew, Joseph Whittemore: it was the farm for many years owned by the Pierces, adjoining that formerly owned by the first William, and afterwards by Ralph.

4. Timothy, son of Timothy and Martha, born June 11, 1692; married Mary. Children, — John, born April 11, 1722; Mary, Aug. 12, 1717; George, Sept. 26, 1725. Timothy lived in Charlestown; married, for second wife, Abigail Frothingham, Jan. 11, 1753.

4. William, son of Timothy and Martha, born Oct. 5, 1694; married Elizabeth Edes, Dec. 15, 1724. Children, — William, born Nov. 6, 1727, in Charlestown; Elizabeth, Jan. 23, 1728. Married, for second wife, Anne, daughter of John Mousell and widow of Edward Newell, Feb. 18, 1731; divorced in 1736. He was a seaman.

5. William, son of William and Elizabeth, married Hannah Lothrop, March 28, 1750, and settled in Charlestown. Child, — William C., born in 1757; and died at Salem, March 15, 1852, aged ninety-five.

4. Benjamin, son of Timothy and Martha, born Jan. 31, 1698; married Elizabeth Edes, Nov. 4, 1720. Children, —

Abigail, born Dec. 21, 1723; Elizabeth, Jan. 8, 1724; Sarah, Feb. 17, 1725; Mary, June 24, 1728; Benjamin, Feb. 5, 1733; Hannah, May 31, 1736; Susanna, Feb. 6, 1738; John, Sept. 10, 1745. The elder Benjamin lived in Charlestown.

5. Benjamin, son of Benjamin and Elizabeth, born Feb. 5, 1733; married Martha Pitman. Children, — Benjamin, born 1785; Margaret Daniels; Martha; Mary; Simmons; Thomas.

6. Benjamin, son of Benjamin and Martha, born 1785; married Sebra Willington of Charlestown. Children, — Benjamin B., who lives in Chelsea; Martha, who married Mr. Chesman, and lives at South Salem; Henry J., married three wives, — the first was Martha J. May; second, Eliza Moulton; third, Mary White. He died in Salem, Jan. 20, 1851: Sebra, his wife, died Oct. 6, 1847, aged sixty-three.

7. Thomas, son of Benjamin and Martha, born 1797; married Mary Brinley, Oct. 31, 1819. Children, — Deborah, born Sept. 29, 1823, married Benjamin Lomden; John Brinley, born Sept. 25, 1825; Thomas Lyons, Aug. 22, 1827; Mary E., born Jan. 20, 1831, married Andrew P. Wood; Richard, born July 31, 1834; Eliza Bryant, Sept. 15, 1835. He lived in Salem, and died Oct. 2, 1846. His widow, and son Richard, live at No. 13, Warren Street, Salem.

7. Benjamin B., son of Benjamin and Sebra, born in Salem, Aug. 7, 1804; married Emeline Harrington of Lexington, Nov. 15, 1832. Child, — Emeline H., born Dec. 14, 1837, in Chelsea. He followed the sea for many years, and was a shipmaster; but is now superintendent of the Chelsea Ferry.

7. Henry J., son of Benjamin and Sebra, lives in Gloucester, N. J.

8. Thomas L., son of Thomas and Mary, born Aug. 22, 1827; married Harriet Woodbury, March 15, 1849. His wife died Aug. 22, 1851. Married, for second wife, Phebe Irons, Oct. 16, 1854: she died in Providence, Sept. 8, 1857. Children, — Thomas Sidney; Franklin W. Thomas lives in Providence, R.I.

8. John B., son of Thomas and Mary, born Sept. 25, 1825; married Betsy Robinson. Children, — Charles Albert, born April 15, 1850; John Franklin, Aug. 23, 1851; Georgianna Hale, Jan. 11, 1853; Benjamin R., Sept. 6, 1854; Thomas Edgar, April 23, 1856; Richard Lyons, June 3, 1858.

3. Elizabeth, daughter of George and Elizabeth of Woburn, and grand-daughter of William and Maybal, born July 26, 1653; married Daniel Fiske of Watertown. Mr. Fiske was a land-surveyor, and did much in laying out townships, &c. He was of the Lexington stock of Fiskes, who were relatives of Rev. John Fiske of Chelmsford.

3. Samuel, son of George and Elizabeth, born April 29, 1656; married Elizabeth Mousall of Charlestown, April 19, 1679. Children, — Elizabeth, born April 3, 1687, married Ebenezer Houlding, Feb. 5, 1712; Samuel, born July 16, 1688; James; Abigail, Jan. 10, 1682; Mary, Nov. 29, 1697, baptized at Cambridge, Dec. 5, 1697. He lived in Cambridge, and was a practising physician in Cambridge and Boston. He served in King Philip's war, and was wounded. Mr. Mousall, his father-in-law, gave him a part of his homestead, by deed, bearing date Feb. 2, 1681; on which he lived the latter part of his life. This homestead was situated on the back-side of Winter Hill, on the road to Medford. On a stone in the burying-ground in Charlestown is inscribed, "Mrs. Elizabeth Read, relict of Dr. Samuel Read, died March 12, 1728, in the seventieth year of her age." The town-records have it July 15, 1729.

3. George, son of George and Elizabeth, born Sept. 14, 1660; married Abigail Pierce, Feb. 18, 1684. Children,—Abigail, born Feb. 6, 1685, and married Capt. Samuel Stone; William, who died Dec. 9, 1728; Ebenezer, March 6, 1690; he also had a daughter, who married Timothy Walker of Charlestown; another daughter, who married Jacob Kendall of Dunstable; and another, who married Samuel Walker of Woburn; also Elizabeth, born June 14, 1700, who married Deacon Christopher Paige of Billerica, May 23, 1719. He lived about fifty rods from where Deacon Nathan Blanchard now lives in Burlington, and was the first deacon of the church in what was formerly Woburn Precinct. A silver cup now in use by that church at its communion service was presented by him a hundred and fifty years ago. His wife died Sept. 9, 1719; and he married Sybil Rice of Sudbury for his second wife, May 24, 1721. She was widow of Isaac Rice: her maiden name was Collins. He died Jan. 20, 1756, aged ninety-six; and his gravestone is to be seen in the south-westerly quarter of the old burying-ground in Woburn.

4. Capt. Samuel Stone, and Abigail Read, daughter of Deacon George, went to Sudbury, and with Jonathan Fiske, who married a cousin to Abigail, settled on Pelham's Island, now a part of Wayland. She died at the age of eighty years.

4. Ebenezer, son of Deacon George and Abigail, born March 6, 1690; married Huldah. Children,—Ebenezer, born Sept. 26, 1715; Huldah, June 11, 1717; Nathan, June 3, 1719; Abigail, April 3, 1721; Eliphas, Feb. 11, 1726; George, Dec. 29, 1722, died March 20, 1804, aged eighty-one. George, the father, gave Ebenezer a deed of his farm, Dec. 11, 1722; and his sisters and brothers-in-law gave him a quit-claim deed. Ebenezer died at Woburn, July 9, 1767.

5. Eliphas, son of Ebenezer and Huldah, born Feb. 11, 1725; married Elizabeth Perry in 1747. Child, — Judith, born June 6, 1748. His wife died Sept. 19, 1752. Married Sarah Newell of Lexington, May 24, 1753. Children, — Eliphas, born Aug. 28, 1752; Newell, Feb. 10, 1754; Sarah, Dec. 12, 1755, married Ebenezer Wood; Joel, born 1757; Ward, who served in the Revolution, and afterwards went to Maine, and was a pensioner; Reuben, born March 8, 1760. Eliphas was in the Revolutionary War, and was a prisoner at Quebec, Dec. 31, 1775.

6. Newell, son of Eliphas, born Feb. 10, 1754; married Mary Harrington of Lexington, Oct. 16, 1776. Children, — Joel, born May 13, 1777; Newell, April 5, 1783; Nathan, Feb. 18, 1786; Orlando, Nov. 24, 1793; Abigail, Nov. 21, 1795; Polly, April 4, 1799; Lorenda; Daniel. He enlisted, in 1776, in Capt. Walker's company, of Woburn Precinct, for eight months. He died at Burlington, April 12, 1831.

7. Newell, son of Newell and Mary, born April 5, 1783; married Sarah Flood, May 27, 1808. Children, — Joel, born Feb. 27, 1813; Charles, Oct. 14, 1818; Newell, Jan. 19, 1825; Nathan; Jacob. Newell died in Bedford, April 8, 1855. His three youngest sons live in Bedford.

7. Daniel, son of Newell and Mary, married Betsy. Children, — William, who lives in North Woburn; Augusta, who married Prescott Barrett of Woburn; Hiram, who died of consumption in Woburn, Oct. 3, 1849, aged twenty-nine years and seven months. Daniel moved from Burlington to Oakham.

5. George, son of Ebenezer and Huldah, born Dec. 29, 1722; married Mary Wood, March 26, 1746. Children, — Mary, born Jan. 19, 1745; Kesiah, Nov. 16, 1746; George, Jan. 7, 1749, killed in Lexington Fight; Ebenezer, born Nov. 29, 1751; Simon, Feb. 10, 1754; Jonas, April 15, 1758; Ruth, July 31, 1760. George died March 20, 1804, aged eighty-one.

6. Kesiah, daughter of George, married Joel Reed, her cousin-german, Nov. 15, 1787; and settled in Washington, N.H.

6. Jonas, son of George and Mary, born April 15, 1758; married Rhoda Johnson, July 2, 1778. Children, — Rhoda, born April 18, 1779; Jonas, June 27, 1781; Benjamin, Feb. 24, 1784; Patty, July 28, 1790; Nancy, June 7, 1794.

6. Simon, son of George and Mary, born at Woburn, Feb. 10, 1754; married Esther. Children, — George, born Oct. 11, 1780; Lucy, Aug. 27, 1784; William, Feb. 20, 1788, graduated at Harvard College, and died of consumption in Burlington, June 25, 1812.

6. Ebenezer, son of George and Mary, born Nov. 29, 1751; married Ruth Snow, June 23, 1777. Married Anna for second wife. Children, — Anna, born Feb. 28, 1781; Ebenezer, March 1, 1782. The elder Ebenezer bought the Snow Place at North Woburn, the homestead of his first wife's father, and lived upon it. He died Jan. 1, 1825.

7. Ebenezer, son of Ebenezer and Anna, born March 1, 1782; married Eleanor. Children, — Elleanor, born Sept. 8, 1824; James, April 8, 1825; George.

6. Joel, son of Eliphas and Sarah, born Jan. 18, 1757; married his cousin Kersia, daughter of George Reed, Nov. 14, 1787, and moved to Washington, N.H. Children, — Kesiah, Asa, Mary, Sally, Olive. He was in the battle of Bunker Hill, and her father was also in the same battle; and her brother George had been killed, in Lexington Fight, on the 19th of April previous. Joel died March 19, 1830: his wife died July 4, 1845.

7. Asa, son of Joel and Kesiah, married Sarah Davis; settled in Stoddard, N.H.; and died May 13, 1830. Child, — George D., who, with his mother, lives at No. 74, Andover Street, Boston.

5. Nathan, son of Ebenezer and Huldah, born at Woburn,

June 3, 1719; married Susanna. Children, — Nathan, born at Woburn, July 14, 1744; Susanna, Dec. 4, 1745.

Abigail, daughter of Deacon George and Abigail, born in Woburn, Feb. 6, 1685; married Capt. Samuel Stone, and settled on Pelham's Island in Sudbury. He was one of the original proprietors of Rutland; he and his sons owning nine hundred acres of land in that township. Children, — Samuel, Nathan, Jonas, Isaac. They returned from Sudbury to Lexington, and died on the old Stone Farm, near the line of Lexington and Lincoln.

Samuel, son of Abigail Reed and Samuel Stone, settled on land set off to the right of his father in Rutland, which was lot No. 25 in the first division. He was one of the first settlers of Rutland. Married Mindwell Stevens, Oct. 20, 1732. Children, — Esther, born in 1733, married John Bryant; Samuel, born in 1736; Isaac, 1739, died in the French War; Mindwell, born in 1742; Stevens, 1744; second Stevens, 1746; Elijah, 1749. Samuel, the elder, died in the Revolutionary War.

Samuel, son of Samuel Stone and Mindwell, born at Rutland in 1736; married Patience Atherton, 1756. Child, — Samuel. His wife died of small-pox in 1756. Married, for second wife, Dorothy Fletcher in 1761. Children, — Thomas, born 1762; Dorothy, 1764; Alpheus F. F., 1767; Abigail, 1769; Susanna, 1772. The elder Samuel died Dec. 10, 1775.

Second Stevens, son of Samuel and Mindwell, born in 1746; married Mercy Munroe, Aug. 30, 1770. Child, — Elijah, born at Rutland, April 18, 1771, who married Eunice Savage.

Nathan, son of Capt. Samuel Stone and Abigail Reed, married Mary. Children, — Mary, born in 1741; Thankful, 1743; Nathan, 1746; Jeduthan, 1748; Lois, 1752; Rebecca, 1756. Mary married Edward Rice, May 10, 1758;

Thankful married Isaac Savage in 1766; Nathan married Freelove Phillips in 1768; Lois married Eli Clark in 1770; Jeduthan married Elizabeth Howe in 1773; Rebecca married Thomas Hunt in 1775. They were prominent and useful members in society.

Jonas, son of Capt. Samuel Stone and Abigail Reed, lived on a portion of the old lot No. 25 in Rutland; was a prominent man in town and church. Married Elizabeth. Children, — Elizabeth, born in 1733; Deborah, 1736; Jonas, 1741; Lucy, 1743; Hannah, 1746; Zeruiah, 1749. Jonas moved back to Lexington in 1751.

Isaac, son of Capt. Samuel Stone and Abigail Reed, married Martha, and settled in Rutland. Children, — Abner, born in 1748; Patty, 1751, — these two were born in Lexington; Isaac, born in Rutland in 1753; Abigail, 1755; Alpheus, 1757. Isaac built and kept a public-house in Rutland, and the same stand has been occupied as such ever since; it being lot No. 61, granted to the first settled minister, and garrisoned for Rev. Mr. Willard. He removed from Rutland to Oakham; and his daughter Patty married Rev. John Strickland, the first minister of Oakham.

4. Elizabeth, daughter of Deacon George and Abigail, born June 14, 1700; married Christopher Paige, son of Nathaniel and Joanna, of that part of Billerica which is now Bedford, May 23, 1720; settled in Hardwick in 1734 or 5, where Mr. Paige was selectman seven years, and the first deacon of the church in Hardwick at its organization in 1736. Children, — Christopher, born June 11, 1721; William, May 2, 1723; George, June 17, 1725; Timothy, May 24, 1727; Jonas, Sept. 19, 1729; Elizabeth, Oct. 3, 1731; Lucy, Feb. 22, 1734; Nathaniel, May 18, 1736; John, July 6, 1738; Elizabeth, June 7, 1743. Deacon Paige died March 10, 1774, aged eighty-three. Elizabeth, his widow, died in 1786, aged eighty-six.

5. Christopher, son of Deacon Christopher and Elizabeth Reed, born June 11, 1721; married Rebecca Haskell of Rochester in 1739, when he was eighteen years of age. Child, — Christopher, who settled in Swansey, N.H., and had a numerous family. He died Dec. 3, 1772.

5. William, son of Deacon Christopher and Elizabeth, born May 2, 1723; married Mercy Aiken, Jan. 11, 1744. Children, — William, born May 5, 1745; James, Sept. 19, 1747; Rebecca, Oct. 8, 1749; Jesse, March 4, 1752; Mercy, May 18, 1754; Lucy, March 19, 1757; Christopher, June 12, 1762. He succeeded his father in the office of deacon of the church in Hardwick, and was captain in the French War; was selectman ten years; was delegate to the Provincial Congress in 1775, and delegate to the Constitutional Convention in 1779; representative four years. He died Feb. 14, 1790: his wife died Feb. 19, 1823, aged a hundred and two years.

6. William, son of William and Mercy, born May 5, 1745; married Mercy Raymond, Oct. 6, 1768. He was deacon of the church in Ware; where he died June 23, 1826, leaving posterity.

6. James, son of William and Mercy, born Sept. 19, 1747; married Thankful Raymond, Oct. 6, 1768. Children, — Ralph, born Aug. 21, 1769; Charles, Oct. 16, 1771; James, Oct. 14, 1773; Nathaniel, April 14, 1776; Benjamin, July 24, 1778; Lucinda, July 28, 1780; Mercy, Nov. 12, 1786; Ira, June 17, 1789. He was a major of militia and a selectman. Married, for second wife, Widow Mary Lawton, sister of his first wife, March 22, 1807; and died in Hardwick, Feb. 18, 1818.

7. Ralph, son of James and Thankful, born Aug. 21, 1769; lived in Rutland, Vt.; was a justice of the peace; and died Aug. 20, 1857, leaving posterity.

7. Charles, son of James and Thankful, born Oct. 16,

1771; lived in Hardwick, where he died April 21, 1853. His son, Elbridge Gerry, was one of the editors of the "New-York Sunday Mercury," and known as "Dow, jun."

6. Rebecca, daughter of Deacon William, born Oct. 8, 1749; married John Foster, Oct. 6, 1768. Child, — James, who was a clergyman in the State of New York. She was married the same day with her two elder brothers; and the wives of her two brothers were sisters.

6. Jesse, son of Deacon William, born March 4, 1752; married Mary Breckenridge of Ware in 1780, and lived in Hardwick, where he died July 3, 1818. Children, — Francis, Mary, Christopher, Nancy, Sally, Jesse, Hadassah.

6. Mercy, daughter of Deacon William, born May 18, 1754; married Nathaniel Graves of Athol, May 29, 1777; and died at an advanced age, leaving children.

6. Lucy, daughter of Deacon William, born March 19, 1757; married Daniel Ruggles, Esq., of Hardwick, Dec. 30, 1779; and died Aug. 3, 1840. Children, — Gardner, born Feb. 16, 1782, was a major of militia and a representative, — he was thrown from a wagon, and killed, Aug. 5, 1853 (his son Daniel is a brevet-colonel in the United-States Army); Anson, born Dec. 17, 1783; Franklin, March 21, 1786; Mercy, April 26, 1788, died Oct. 9, 1802; Lucy, born April 5, 1791; Crighton, June 10, 1793; Alma, July 22, 1795; Luthera, Jan. 4, 1798.

6. Christopher, son of Deacon William, born June 12, 1762; graduated at Dartmouth College in 1784; was a clergyman, and settled in Pittsfield, N.H.; afterwards in Roxbury, N.H. He married the widow of Rev. Elijah Fletcher of Hopkinton, one of whose daughters was the first wife of Daniel Webster. Children, — Elijah F., graduated at Harvard College 1810, and died in Virginia in 1817; James W., an eminent merchant in Boston; Christopher,

who lives in Nashua, N.H.; Nancy, who died unmarried. He died at Salisbury, Oct. 12, 1822.

5. George, son of Deacon Christopher Paige and Elizabeth Reed, born June 17, 1725; married Rosilla Whitcomb, June 4, 1752. Children, — Nathaniel, born Jan. 11, 1754, moved to Vermont; Asa, Jan. 25, 1756; George, March 9, 1758; Rhoda, Oct. 5, 1760; Nathan, Aug. 7, 1762, moved to Vermont; Paul, Feb. 12, 1765; Pierce, July 16, 1768; Anne, July 23, 1771. He died at Hardwick, May 8, 1781: his wife died Oct. 29, 1807.

5. Timothy, son of Deacon Christopher and Elizabeth, born May 24, 1727; married Mary Foster of Rochester, Oct. 24, 1754. Children, — Lydia, born Sept. 15, 1755; Timothy, Feb. 16, 1757; Mary, Oct. 19, 1759; Foster, Aug. 29, 1761; Reed, Aug. 30, 1764; Moses, Dec. 12, 1765, died Dec. 28, 1765; Moses, born Feb. 19, 1767; Rebecca, Nov. 28, 1768; Thomas, Nov. 7, 1770, died Nov. 21, 1770; Thomas, born April 20, 1772; George Washington, Aug. 24, 1775. He was a captain in the Revolutionary War, and colonel in the government forces raised to suppress Shay's Rebellion; was selectman, town-treasurer, and representative. Died at Hardwick, Aug. 26, 1791: his widow died July 21, 1825, aged ninety-three years.

6. Lydia, daughter of Timothy and Mary, born Sept. 15, 1755; married Deacon Thomas Fuller, Nov. 26, 1778; settled at Hardwick, Vt.; and died July 8, 1810.

7. Martin, son of Thomas and Lydia, born June 6, 1780; married Letitia Duncan of Hancock, N.H. Children, — Thomas J. D., born March, 1808, — a lawyer in Calais, Me., and a member of Congress; Lydia, July 2, 1810, married Rev. Mr. Stone of Cabot, Vt., — died Dec. 8, 1844; Mary, Jan. 13, 1812; Hiram, Oct. 22, resides in Hancock, N.H.

7. Thomas, son of Thomas and Lydia, born March 24,

1782; married Sally House of Bennington, Vt., Dec. 31, 1809, and settled in Enosburg, Vt.; but recently removed to Boston. Children, — Cordelia Hannah Lydia, born Dec. 27, 1810, who married Hon. Horace Eaton, late Governor of Vermont, and died Feb. 7, 1841; Thomas H., born March 13, 1815, — a merchant in Boston; Charles Edwin, June 8, 1817, died Sept. 13, 1835; Martin Kimball, born April 21, 1823, died Aug. 24, 1838; Mary C., born Oct. 22, 1824, died Nov. 16, 1847; Sarah Emery, born July 15, 1826, died July 26, 1845; Martha Rebecca, born March 24, 1828, married A. F. Chandler of Boston; Frances Maria, born Feb. 19, 1831, died Feb. 6, 1852.

7. Lydia, daughter of Thomas and Lydia, born June 6, 1784; married Daniel Weld of Berkshire, Vt.; and had John Fuller, born in Berkshire. They moved to Cornish, and had Daniel, Moses, Eben, Martin, and Charles.

7. Malinda, daughter of Thomas and Lydia, born Feb. 3, 1787; married Charles Stearns of Enosburg, Vt.; and had seven children, names not given.

7. Timothy Paige, son of Thomas and Lydia, born March 30, 1790; married Rebecca Duncan of Hancock, N.H., Nov. 14, 1816; and died July 21, 1854. He lived in Bakersfield, Vt.; was Judge of the County Court.

7. Austin, son of Thomas and Lydia, born April 13, 1792; married Betsy Maynard of Bakersfield, where he resides, and was Judge of the County Court.

7. Francis E., son of Thomas and Lydia, born March 20, 1794; married Martha Worcester of Hollis, N.H., Sept. 30, 1819; and married her sister Hannah for second wife, Oct. 17, 1825. Children, — Samuel Worcester, born April 25, 1822; Martha Worcester, March 22, 1824.

7. Rebecca Paige, daughter of Thomas and Lydia, born April 29, 1796; married Alvan House at Hardwick, Vt., and had seven children. Lives at Enosburg.

7. John Washington, son of Thomas and Lydia, born Jan. 4, 1799; and died Aug. 15, 1803.

6. Timothy, son of Timothy and Mary, born Feb. 16, 1757; married Mary Robinson of Hardwick, Jan. 20, 1780. Children, — Mary, born Oct. 28, 1780; Sophia, Oct. 31, 1782; Stephen West, May 3, 1785; Timothy, March 6, 1788; Martin, Sept. 27, 1791; Cyrus, April 7, 1794, died Jan. 16, 1796; Rebecca, born Aug. 27, 1796, died March 30, 1821; Cyrus, born Sept. 16, 1799, died June 28, 1803; Lucius Robinson, born March 8, 1802. He was a captain of cadets, a justice of the peace and quorum, selectman eighteen years, assessor twenty-four years, a delegate to the State Convention in 1820, and representative to the Legislature seventeen years. He died Oct. 29, 1821: his widow died March 29, 1836.

7. Mary, daughter of Timothy and Mary, born Oct. 28, 1780; married Col. Thomas Wheeler of Hardwick, Feb. 14, 1805; and moved to Ticonderoga, N.Y., in 1819, where she died Sept. 18, 1828. Children, — Ann Dexter, born Dec. 3, 1805, died Jan. 25, 1816; Thomas A., Nov. 7, 1808, died April 15, 1811; Charlotte Sophia, May 8, 1811, who married a Bennett, and lives in New-York State; Mary Emeline, June 21, 1813, married Thomas R. Green of Belchertown, and died Feb. 20, 1843; Rebecca Ann, March 6, 1816, who married Lyman Burrill of Dunkirk, N.Y., and died June 10, 1853; Eliza Jane, April 15, 1819, who married Rev. Stephen Lovell of Boston, died March 4, 1848; Juliet Elvira, Sept. 10, 1821, died July, 1840.

7. Stephen West, son of Timothy and Mary, born May 3, 1785; married Lucy, daughter of Daniel Ruggles, Esq., Oct. 26, 1809, and lives in Hardwick. Has been representative, and justice of the peace. Children, — Adeline, born March 20, 1811, who married Capt. Walter Mandell, Jan. 31, 1842, and died Oct. 3, 1842; Theodore, born Oct. 27, 1813,

and died March 21, 1814; Lucy, born July 30, 1815, died June 10, 1816; West, born Aug. 23, 1817, who married Caroline M. Warner of Hardwick, Dec. 13, 1848, and died Sept. 4, 1853; William, born Dec. 18, 1819, resides in Hardwick; Lucy Rebecca, Jan. 19, 1822, married Elbridge Mandell of Hardwick, June 18, 1844, and has had four children; Daniel Ruggles, born July 14, 1829, died Aug. 26, 1833.

7. Timothy, son of Timothy and Mary, born March 6, 1788; married Cynthia Ammidown, March, 1815. Children, — Cynthia Evelina, born Dec. 4, 1815, died Nov. 10, 1850; Juliet Eliza, born April 14, 1817, who married M. Mansfield, a merchant in Barton, Vt.; Timothy, born Feb. 17, 1819; Calvin Ammidown, June 7, 1820. He was a lawyer, and spent some years in the State of Georgia; but returned, and settled in Southbridge, Mass. He died Nov. 16, 1822.

7. Martin, son of Timothy and Mary, born Sept. 27, 1791; married Mary Ann Billings, Aug. 20, 1817, and lives in Providence. Children, — Timothy, born Aug. 3, 1818, who lives in Cavendish, Vt.; Frederick Augustus, merchant in Providence, Nov. 6, 1819; George, Aug. 17, 1821, who was a merchant in Providence, and died, unmarried, April 3, 1855; Julia Billings, born Jan. 12, 1824, died May 14, 1825; James, born Feb. 9, 1826, died May 7, 1826; Henry, born April 5, 1829, merchant in Providence; Martha Pomeroy, Jan. 4, 1832, married William Stone of Worcester, June, 1854; Sarah Pomeroy, born Sept. 9, 1837, died Sept. 30, 1838.

7. Lucius Robinson, son of Timothy and Mary, born March 8, 1802; a clergyman, who was settled, first in Springfield, next in Gloucester, and next at Cambridge. Resigned his pastoral charge, on account of ill health, in 1839; and has since preached occasionally. Has published four volumes of commentaries on the New Testament. He

was elected town-clerk of Cambridge, soon after he resigned his pastoral charge, in 1839; and, after Cambridge became a city, he was chosen city-clerk; which office he resigned in 1855, and became cashier of the Cambridge Bank. He was appointed a justice of the peace in 1843; and received the honorary degree of A.M., at Harvard College, in 1850. He married Clarinda Richardson of Brookfield, Sept. 14, 1826. She died Aug. 29, 1833; and he married, for second wife, Abby R. Whittemore of Charlestown, Oct. 5, 1834. She died Dec. 23, 1843; and he married Lucy Richardson of Brookfield, Oct. 22, 1845. Children, — Henry Ballou, born Dec. 23, 1827, died Jan. 17, 1828; Lucius R., born Sept. 19, 1829, — was a merchant in Boston, and married Ellen S. Pond of Cambridge, Oct. 15, 1851, and died Oct. 28, 1852; Mary Jane Pearce, born March 8, 1832, died Dec. 27, 1854; Thomas Whittemore Robinson, Oct. 17, 1837, died April 2, 1838; Clarinda Richardson, born Dec. 24, 1840, died Dec. 30, 1843. He is preparing a History of Cambridge, and has collected a great amount of statistics for that purpose.

6. Mary, daughter of Timothy and Mary, born Oct. 19, 1759; married Daniel Fay of Hardwick, Aug. 23, 1778; settled in Bethel, Vt.; and died at Stockbridge, Vt., March 27, 1834. Children, — Mary, born March 10, 1779, married Rev. Philander Chase, Bishop of Ohio and of Illinois, and died May 5, 1818; Nancy, March 25, 1781, who married Nathaniel Evans, settled in Middlebury, O., and died July 12, 1825; Elizabeth, born Sept. 3, 1783, married B. Batchelder, and died in Bethel, Vt., May 4, 1831; Jedediah, born Jan. 30, 1786, — a physician, who died at Owego, N.Y., April 23, 1848; Timothy Paige, May 9, 1788, — a physician, who resides in Stockbridge, Vt.; Almira, July 28, 1790, died Oct. 29, 1824; Daniel, born Oct. 26, 1792, died March 16, 1796; Cyrus Paige, born Feb. 17, 1796, — a physician at

Columbus, O.; Oren, Dec. 17, 1798, — a merchant, who died at Madrid, Mo., September, 1834.

6. Foster, son of Timothy and Mary, born Aug. 29, 1761; married Amittai Paige, Jan. 6, 1785. Settled in Hardwick, Vt., about the year 1800; and from thence went to Bakersfield, Vt., where he died June 22, 1843. His widow was living in 1860, aged ninety-six years. Children, — Gardner, born Oct. 16, 1785, who married Betsey Parker, April 25, 1810, and lives at Bakersfield, Vt.; Seneca, born Feb. 15, 1788, was member of the Parliament for the Province of Canada, and died in October, 1856; Reed, born March 28, 1790, who married Eunice Cutler of Hardwick, Mass., and lives in Bakersfield, Vt.; Mary Foster, July 18, 1792, who married Jesse Paige of Hardwick, Mass., and died Jan. 19, 1823; Rebecca Peirce, born March 17, 1797, who married David Smith, June 25, 1820 (he died, and she married Asahel Deming, Oct. 5, 1828); Foster, Oct. 25, 1801, who married Julia Soule, and lives in Bakersfield, Vt.; Amittai Cutler, Nov. 16, 1804, who married Lyman Hurlburt, May 25, 1824 (he died, and she married Elijah Barns, July 2, 1857); Sally Warner, Aug. 5, 1808, who married Fay Brigham, and died March 11, 1828.

6. Reed, son of Timothy and Mary, born Aug. 30, 1764; graduated at Dartmouth College in 1786; the first pastor of the church in Hancock, Mass.; ordained in 1791; and died July 22, 1816, aged fifty-two years. He was justly esteemed a learned, pious, able, and faithful minister; a good citizen, and an honest, upright man; a firm patriot; a zealous and able advocate of his country's rights, — which very much endeared him to his people, who frequently elected him representative; which office he filled at the time of his death. Married Hannah Paige of Bedford, Dec. 25, 1794. Children, — Abigail, born Jan. 23, 1796, who married Jacob Flint of Peterborough, N.H.; Mary, born Oct. 2, 1799, who married

Moses Whitney of New Boston, N.H.; David, born March 11, 1802,—a physician, who married Frances Tyler, Oct. 1, 1844, and moved to Belvidere, Ill.; Timothy, born Aug. 31, 1805, who was a cadet at West Point, and attained the rank of captain in the United-States Army,—resigned his commission, and commenced the practice of law at New Orleans, and since at New York; Nathaniel George Reed, born Aug. 17, 1807, who lives at Marengo, Ill.; William, April 18, 1811, who is a merchant in Mobile, Ala.

6. Moses, son of Timothy and Mary, born Feb. 19, 1767; married Lucy Aiken, Aug. 27, 1789; and married, for second wife, Mary Aiken, June, 1801; and died at Hardwick, Dec. 5, 1818. Children,—Joel, born Jan. 25, 1793,—a physician, who resided many years at Owego, N.Y., and removed to Alexander, N.Y., in 1850, and died July, 1855; Lucy, born April 13, 1796, married Anson Ruggles of Hardwick; Mary, born March 8, 1798, married a Haskins of Prescott; Moses, born Feb. 6, 1800, married the widow of his brother Asa, and kept an apothecary-shop in Troy, but now lives in Bennington, Vt.; Asa, born Dec. 9, 1801, a physician and apothecary in Troy, N.Y., and married Sarah Ruggles of Hardwick; Hannah, born May 11, 1804, married a Haywood of Ware, and died in 1835; Clarissa, born Dec. 22, 1808, married a Breckenridge of Ware.

6. Rebecca, daughter of Timothy and Mary, born Nov. 28, 1768; married Capt. Seth Peirce of Hardwick, Dec. 22, 1793, and had one child, which died soon after its birth. She died Aug. 2, 1795.

6. Thomas, son of Timothy and Mary, born April 20, 1772; married Susan Warner of New Braintree, June 17, 1798, and lived in Hardwick, New Braintree, and Lenoxville, C.E., and Compton, C.E., where he died June 23, 1855. Children,—Susan Warner, born Aug. 10, 1800; Hannah Ware, June 22, 1802, who married Samuel Wood of Farn-

ham, C.E., Feb. 9, 1843 ; Daniel Waldo, born Feb. 18, 1804, who married Sarah Smith of Lenoxville, C.E., in 1836, and lives in Canada ; George Washington, born May 18, 1806, married Elvira Waters of Barre, Vt., Aug. 24, 1835, and lives at Chicago ; Almira Clark, born Feb. 7, 1808, died March 11, 1838 ; Prudence Maria, born May 15, 1811, married Samuel A. Porter of Worcester, April 3, 1831 ; Sophia Foster, born March 4, 1815, married Austin Bixby of Worcester, March 15, 1836 ; Letitia Duncan, born May 2, 1817 ; Thomas Reed, June 1, 1821, died May 25, 1836 ; Harriet Antoinette, born July 2, 1825, died May 4, 1827.

6. George Washington, son of Timothy and Mary, born Aug. 24, 1775 ; a physician, justice of the peace, and elder in the Presbyterian Church at Colchester, N.Y ; married a Mrs. Cunningham, and died Sept. 10, 1834.

5. Jonas, son of Deacon Christopher Paige and Elizabeth Reed, born Sept. 19, 1729 ; served several campaigns in the French and Indian wars, and was afterwards of a roving disposition. In consequence of an early disappointment, as it is said, he never married. He was living in 1792 ; but the time of his death is unknown.

5. Lucy, daughter of Deacon Christopher and Elizabeth, born Feb. 22, 1734 ; married Seth Lincoln of Western, now Warren, Oct. 10, 1751, who died May 6, 1793 ; and she married a Tyler, and died Sept. 1, 1821. Children, — Thomas, Seth, Asa, Lucy, Betsy, Olive, Thankfull, Mary, Levi, Sally.

6. Seth, son of Lucy Paige and Seth Lincoln, married Jemima. Children, — Jemima, born 1780, died Nov. 15, 1786 ; Lucy, born Oct. 1, 1782, who married Dr. Fairfield, and was mother of Sumner Lincoln Fairfield, a poet of some note ; Hervey, born March 17, 1785, died Oct. 17, 1823 ; Ivers, born July 22, 1788 ; Warren, March 11, 1791, — a colonel of cavalry ; Jemima, 1793, died Jan. 7, 1797 ;

Fanny, born Dec. 20, 1796, who married Joseph Paige of Barre; Sumner, born June 20, 1799, graduated at Yale College in 1822, — a clergyman, who lived many years at Gardner, Mass.

5. Nathaniel, son of Deacon Christopher Paige and Elizabeth Reed, born May 18, 1736; elected deacon of the church, May 12, 1785. For the first five years after his election, his brother William was his associate in office. They were successors of their father in the same office; and Nathaniel was succeeded by James, son of William. Deacon Nathaniel married Joanna Freeman of Sandwich, in 1759. She died; and he married Martha Fisk, daughter of Rev. Elisha Fisk of Upton, August, 1783. Removed to Athol in 1812; and died Jan. 6, 1816. Children, — Elizabeth, born April 27, 1788; Nathaniel F., Aug. 11, 1790; Jason, Dec. 18, 1792, — a merchant in New York.

5. John, son of Deacon Christopher and Elizabeth, born July 6, 1738; married Hannah Winslow of Rochester in January, 1765; removed from Hardwick to Stephentown, N.Y., in 1790, and afterwards to Schaghticoke, where he and his wife died April, 1811, and both occupied one grave. Child, — Winslow, born Feb. 28, 1767, — a clergyman, who settled in Stephentown in 1790, at Schaghticoke in 1793, at Florida, N.Y., in 1808, and at Broome in 1820; received the degree of A.M., at Brown University, in 1828; married Clarissa Keyes of Ashford, Conn., in 1787; and died at Broome, March 15, 1838.

7. John Keyes, son of Winslow and Clarissa, born at Hardwick, Aug. 2, 1788; graduated at Williams College in 1807; a lawyer, and cadet at West Point; captain of the United-States Army in 1812; a colonel of militia in 1817; district attorney in 1818; clerk of the Supreme Court in 1823; regent of the University of New York in 1829. Married Helen Maria Yates, daughter of Governor Yates,

Oct. 15, 1817. She died January, 1829; and he married Anna Maria Bloodgood, Nov. 20, 1833. His general residence was at Albany, N.Y.; of which place he was mayor. He died at Schenectady, N.Y., Dec. 10, 1857. Children, — Joseph Christopher Yates, born July 8, 1818, graduated at Williams College in 1838, a lawyer; Anna Bloodgood, Dec. 10, 1834; John Keyes, April 18, 1837, died May 29, 1838.

7. Hannah Winslow, daughter of Winslow and Clarissa, born August, 1791, who married Archibald Croswell of Broome, N.Y., 1822.

7. Maria C., daughter of Winslow and Clarissa, born 1794; married David Cady of Florida, N.Y., 1815.

7. Alonzo Christopher, son of Winslow and Clarissa, born July 31, 1796; graduated at Williams College, 1812; a lawyer; district attorney; member of the Assembly four years, and senator five years; reporter to the Court of Chancery. Married Harriet B. Mumford in 1832, and has generally resided in Schenectady. Children, — Benjamin M., born in 1834, died in 1838; Clara, 1836; Harriet B., 1838.

7. Diana C., daughter of Winslow and Clarissa, born February, 1799; married Allen Jackson of Florida, N.Y., in 1820.

7. Antoinette A. L., daughter of Winslow and Clarissa, born in August, 1804; married George Smith of Florida in 1825. He died August, 1828; and she married Platt Potter, Esq., of Schenectady, N.Y., in 1836.

5. Elizabeth, daughter of Deacon Christopher Paige and Elizabeth, born June 7, 1743; married Solomon Green of Leicester in 1765, and died at her birthplace, in Hardwick, April 1, 1802. Children, — Timothy, who resided in Ohio in 1838; Solomon, who went to New York; Archelaus, July 16, 1770, — a clergyman and physician, and resided at Virgil, N.Y., where he died Dec. 25, 1843; John; Mary; Lynde; Isaac, May 25, 1798; Serena, 1782, died young.

6. Archelaus, son of Solomon Green and Elizabeth Paige, born July 16, 1770; had Jordan Dodge, who died young; Hiram, a clergyman; John; Paige; Lucy; Archelaus.

6. Isaac, son of Solomon Green and Elizabeth, born May 25, 1778; married Rebecca Gay Harriden of Taunton, January, 1808, and lived in Providence, but now lives in Rehoboth. Children, — John Harriden, born March 19, 1811, who married Harriet C. Potter, Feb. 3, 1833, and lives in Providence; Sarah Ann, married Edwin Potter, and lives in Providence; Rebecca, married William Burke, and lives in Cranston, R.I.; Solomon, born Dec. 22, 1819, married Nancy B. Manchester of Newport, and lives in Rehoboth.

3. William, son of George and Elizabeth, and grandson of William and Maybal, born Sept. 22, 1662; married Abigail Kendall, his father's cousin, May 24, 1686. She had an unusual number of fingers and toes. Children, — Abigail, born May 29, 1687, married Deacon Jonathan Fiske, and moved to Sudbury; William, born July 18, 1693; Mary, April 8, 1695, married Deacon John Stone; Benjamin, born Oct. 22, 1696, married Rebecca Stone; Samuel, born Oct. 24, 1699; Joshua, Jan. 20, 1702; Hepsibah, Dec. 10, 1705, married Daniel Tidd; Elizabeth, married Joseph Munroe; Rebecca, married Edward Johnson of Woburn. He settled in Cambridge Farms, now Lexington; and was a great landholder in Cambridge Farms, Woburn, and Billerica. He held a justice's commission, and was also a military captain, but was generally called Capt. Read. He was one of the board of selectmen chosen the first year after the incorporation of the town in 1713. He died in Cambridge Farms, May 12, 1718. I find him purchasing land up to within five days of his death. His wife died Oct. 12, 1734. They were buried in Lexington old burying-yard; and two plain stones near the centre of the yard, with the common inscription, mark their resting-place; and around them are clus-

tered the tombstones and monuments of their descendants, filling a large portion of the yard.

4. William, son of William and Abigail, born July 18, 1693; married Sarah Poulter. Children, — William, born Jan. 1, 1720; Samuel, May 4, 1722; Sarah, Jan. 3, 1725; Mary, March 10, 1728, married William Bowman; Oliver, born March 25, 1730; John, May 28, 1731; Harmond, April 28, 1734; Eliot, April 28, 1738; Hannah, Oct. 21, 1740; Nathan, Nov. 9, 1743. He lived about a mile from the Monument in Lexington, on the road to Bedford, where he owned a great tract of land in that neighborhood, on which his sons Harmond and Nathan remained and settled. He also had six hundred acres in what is now the centre of the town of Bedford, on which he settled his sons John and Oliver. He settled his son Samuel about a mile north of his residence in Burlington, on the farm now owned by Mr. Nichols, whose wife is one of his descendants. The house in which he lived and died is still standing, in good condition; and is owned by Mr. Christopher Reed, his grandson. He was a representative twenty years in succession; a justice of the peace during the reigns of George II. and III.; and did much of the public business in the town and county. For many years, he officiated in marrying his descendants. He died Feb. 11, 1778, aged eighty-five years. He had prepared a tomb previous to his death; a splendid affair for those times, and is still in good preservation in the old burying-yard. He was generally known by the appellation of Esquire Read. A portion of his homestead was bought of Robert Fiske, his relative, Feb. 6, 1718.

5. William, son of William and Sarah, born Jan. 1, 1720; married Abigail Stone, Jan. 1, 1741, on the day of his majority. Children, — William, born Oct. 2, 1742; Abigail, Sept. 22, 1744; Sarah, May 14, 1747; Nathaniel, June 2, 1749; Mary, July 17, 1751; Buler, May 4, 1753; Thaddeus,

Aug. 25, 1755; Josiah, Aug. 25, 1757; Hannah, Oct. 8, 1758; Milley, April 26, 1762; Esther, Oct. 25, 1765.

6. William, son of William and Abigail, born Oct. 2, 1742; married Elizabeth Davis, Dec. 13, 1768. Child, — William, April 5, 1778. He died in Acton, Aug. 31, 1829, aged eighty-five.

7. William, son of William and Elizabeth of Acton, born April 5, 1778, in Lexington. Children, — William, born Dec. 15, 1804, married Anna Gleason of East Sudbury, March 28, 1826; Mary A., born June 25, 1807, died Oct. 19, 1847; Joseph W., born Jan. 2, 1810, died Feb. 28, 1813; Daniel H., born Oct. 29, 1812, died March 11, 1817; Andrew J., born Feb. 19, 1815, died Nov. 16, 1851; Isaiah, born May 18, 1817; Charlotte, May 10, 1819; Prescott, Feb. 14, 1821; Isaac, March 13, 1823; Eliab G., Jan. 15, 1825. He died in Acton, Nov. 3, 1846, aged sixty-eight years.

4. Benjamin, son of Capt. William of Lexington, born Oct. 22, 1696; married Rebecca Stone, sister of Deacon John Stone. Children, — Benjamin, born May 13, 1718; Abigail, March 30, 1720, married Deacon John Muzzy; Jonas, June 7, 1722; Rebecca, Nov. 5, 1724; Isaac, July 30, 1727; Jonathan, March 8, 1729; Thaddeus, June 17, 1732; Dorcas, July 18, 1734; Samuel, April 3, 1737; Ruth, Nov. 9, 1741. He was a major, and a justice of the peace. He removed from Lexington to Littleton, and is the ancestor of the Littleton Reeds.

5. Deacon Jonas, son of Major Benjamin, born June 7, 1722; married Elizabeth Wright of Concord, April 17, 1746. Children, — Rebecca, born Oct. 26, 1748; Jonas, March 17, 1751 (Jonas and his sister Elizabeth died of the dysentery in 1756, and both were buried in one grave); Elizabeth, born Oct. 9, 1755; Jonas, April 21, 1759; Nathan, May 31, 1761.

Benjamin, son of Major Benjamin, married Mrs. Hannah

Easterbrooks, July 19, 1763. He was a captain of militia. He moved to Holden before he was married, and his children were born in Holden. His farm was the corner of Holden, adjoining Rutland, and about two miles from Rutland Meeting-house, where he was deacon of the church. He died in 1806, aged eighty-three.

6. Jonas, son of Jonas and Elizabeth, born April 1, 1759; married Elizabeth Willson, Jan. 8, 1784; and married a Hammond for second wife. Children, — Betsy, born Jan. 20, 1785; Sally, Sept. 28, 1786; Jonas, Oct. 3, 1788; Rufus, Dec. 20, 1790; Benjamin H., July 1, 1794; William, Oct. 30, 1798, who married Polly Babcock, April 3, 1837. He lived in Rutland, and Holden was formerly part of Rutland; was known as Deacon Reed. He wrote a History of Rutland. He lived and died on the homestead of his father in Rutland.

6. Nathan, son of Jonas and Elizabeth, born in Rutland, May 31, 1761; married Lois Maynard, and settled in Royalston. Children, — Moses M., Tabitha, Nathan, Betsy, Arba, Abigail, Isabella, Benjamin, Cyrus B., Phineas W., Lois M., Ainsworth, Sylvanus S., Sally. He married Lydia Poor for second wife, and the six youngest children were by her. His wife died Dec. 24, 1846: he died May 6, 1850.

7. Cyrus B. Reed, son of Nathan and Lydia of Royalston, born in 1806; married Sarah Godard, Dec. 15, 1831, and lives in Royalston. Children, — Cyrus P., born April 12, 1834; William G., June 26, 1841; Charles P., Oct. 11, 1846; Henry C., March 22, 1852.

6. Isaac, son of Major Benjamin, born July 30, 1727; married Mary Bridge of Lexington, April 22, 1754. Child, — Isaac, born May 18, 1755.

7. Isaac, son of Isaac and Mary, born May 18, 1755; married Mary, the daughter of Gen. Isaac Gardner of Brookline, distinguished in the Revolution. He graduated

at Cambridge in 1780; settled in Littleton, and became a trader; and died Nov. 5, 1789, leaving a son Isaac Gardner, born Nov. 16, 1783, who graduated at Cambridge in 1803; Edward Augustus, 1781, died at Westford, 1850.

8. Isaac C., son of Isaac, practised law with success in Waldoborough, Me.; where he died, much lamented, Feb. 25, 1847. Children, — Isaac, and three other sons, and two daughters.

Hon. Isaac Reed of Waldoborough, son of Hon. Isaac G. Reed, is a distinguished lawyer in the State of Maine, and has been a candidate for governor.

5. Jonathan, son of Major Benjamin of Littleton, born at Lexington, March 8, 1729; married Sarah. Children, — Rhoda, born June 13, 1764; Anna, Oct. 19, 1766; Mary, April 20, 1720; Jonathan, Sept. 13, 1772. He settled in Littleton, and was a colonel of militia, and a justice of the peace. He died Oct. 8, 1790: his wife died June 4, 1803.

5. Samuel, son of Major Benjamin, born at Lexington, April 3, 1737; married Hannah Raymond, Feb. 18, 1762; settled in Littleton. Children, — Isaac, born Oct. 7, 1768; Betsy, Aug. 25, 1770; Daniel, May 2, 1772; James, July 15, 1774; Mary, who died Sept. 23, 1853; Benjamin, born Jan. 13, 1779; Hepsibah, June 27, 1781; Jonas, June 21, 1784; Nathan, April 14, 1790. He died at Littleton, March 9, 1806: his wife died Sept. 22, 1819.

6. Samuel, son of Samuel and Hannah, married an Umphrey, and moved to Lynn. Children, — Benjamin, Thomas, Nathan.

6. Isaac, son of Samuel and Hannah of Littleton, born Oct. 7, 1768; married Rebecca Fletcher of Westford, July 9, 1789.

7. Thomas, son of Samuel of Lynn, married Elizabeth Phillips, Dec. 25, 1796. Children, — Eliza, born Nov. 6, 1797; Sally, born Oct. 8, 1800; Thomas P., July 9, 1803; Walter A., June, 1807.

7. Nathan, son of Samuel, married Nancy. Children, — Eliza; Jane, born Feb. 23, 1813; Nathan, Jan. 20, 1815. He died March 7, 1820.

7. Jonas, son of Samuel and Hannah of Littleton, born June 4, 1784; married Elizabeth, the widow of his brother David, and had Jonas, William, and Daniel Mortimer.

8. Jonas, son of Jonas, lives in South Danvers; married Mary Soames.

8. William, son of Jonas, lives at South Danvers, and is Agent of the Bleachery. He married Elizabeth Newhall of Lynn, Nov. 27, 1828. Children, — Sarah Ellen, born Jan. 21, 1830; Francis Andrews, Sept. 21, 1835; William, Oct. 5, 1845.

6. Daniel, son of Samuel and Hannah of Littleton, and grandson of Major Benjamin, born May 2, 1772; married Elizabeth. Children, — Samuel, born March 17, 1798; Hannah, June 20, 1800; Betsy, May 16, 1802; Orrin, March 27, 1804; Elvina, June 7, 1806. He died at Littleton, Nov. 24, 1806; and his widow married Jonas, brother of Daniel.

7. Samuel, son of Daniel and Elizabeth, born at Littleton, March 19, 1798; married Harriet Hodgeman of Bedford, May 12, 1825. Children, — Harriet Ann, born at Bedford, Dec. 3, 1826, died Jan. 2, 1827; Mary Caroline, March 21, 1828, died March 11, 1835; Jonas H., born April 19, 1829; Harriet Jane, Aug. 23, 1831, died March 11, 1835; Nancy E., born March 30, 1833; Adaline, Jan. 8, 1835, died March 20, 1835; Mary Jane, born July 2, 1836; Daniel Webster, Aug. 5, 1838. They buried three children in two months. They now live in Lowell.

6. Orrin, son of Daniel and Elizabeth, born May 24, 1804, and was many years constable and janitor of the Court House in Lowell; but now lives in the west parish of Haverhill.

6. Benjamin, son of Samuel and Hannah of Littleton, and grandson of Major Benjamin, born Jan. 13, 1779; married

Mary Litchfield of Littleton, November, 1797. Children, — Daniel, June 15, 1800; Thaxter, Nov. 24, 1801, died May 28, 1824; Mary, born Nov. 12, 1803; Benjamin, Aug. 28, 1805; Sarah, June 17, 1807; Joseph Madison, June 24, 1809; Catherine, Dec. 13, 1810; Jefferson, March 24, 1813; Rebecca, April 26, 1815; Ephraim, April 27, 1813; Nathan, June 28, 1819; William, Sept. 2, 1821; Rhoda Jane, Nov. 30, 1824, died March 22, 1825.

7. Jefferson, son of Benjamin and Polly or Mary, born March 24, 1813; married Eliza for first wife, who died in Concord, July 10, 1845. Married Susan. Child, — Mary, born in Littleton, Oct. 15, 1853.

7. Ephreim, son of Benjamin and Polly or Mary, born April 27, 1817.

7. Nathan, son of Benjamin and Mary, born at Littleton, June 28, 1819; married Elizabeth Damon of Wayland, Oct. 3, 1841. Married Augusta Turbell in Bedford, April 13, 1841. Child, — Eben F., born May 20, 1844. His wife died Nov. 27, 1845. Married Lucy Reed in Boston, Nov. 26, 1846. He lived in Bedford; and died Jan. 20, 1847.

7. Nathan, son of Samuel and Mary, born June 28, 1819; married Elizabeth Damon of Wayland, Oct. 3, 1841.

Benjamin, son of Major Benjamin of Littleton, and grandson of Capt. William of Lexington, born May 13, 1718, in Lexington; married Mary Muzzy, Nov. 28, 1743, at Brookfield. The record says, Mary Rindall. She may have been previously married to a Rindall. She was the daughter of Deacon John Muzzey and Abigail Reed: consequently they were first cousins. Children, — Mary, born at Rutland, Jan. 3, 1744; Benjamin, March 28, 1745; Edmond, Nov. 8, 1747, — the three above-named children all died within twelve days of each other, of canker-rash, in 1749; Benjamin, born May 28, 1750, — a promising young man, who fell in the battle of Bunker Hill; Edmond, July 8, 1755;

Mary, July 10, 1752; Patience, Dec. 1, 1756; Silas, Dec. 15, 1762. He married Hannah Easterbrook of Lexington for second wife, July 19, 1763. He was a captain of militia.

Edmond, son of Capt. Benjamin, born July 8, 1755; married Miriam Clements, 1778. Children, — Benjamin, born April 24, 1779, died May 14, 1823; Sewell, born Aug. 18, 1781, died December, 1846; Betsy, born July 8, 1783; Lucy, Sept. 7, 1785, died March 7, 1855; Gardner and Gerry, born April 11, 1789, — Gardner died Feb. 9, 1807; Polly, March 31, 1793. He died Feb. 26, 1821: his wife died July 29, 1823.

Sewell, son of Edmond, born at Rutland, Aug. 18, 1781; married Elizabeth Browning. Children, — Francis G., born June 6, 1808, died Aug. 8, 1841; Elizabeth M., born March 18, 1810, died Dec. 7, 1851; James G., born Feb. 13, 1812; Emeline R., July 24, 1814, died Dec. 18, 1854; Daniel B., born June 18, 1817; Mary M., March 15, 1820, died Jan. 24, 1846; Harriet W., born Nov. 16, 1832; Sarah, Oct. 29, 1825, died July 17, 1850; Charles, born Feb. 16, 1830.

Daniel B., son of Sewell, born June 18, 1817; married Isabella Easterbrook, June 24, 1844. Children, — Caroline, born June 8, 1845; Mary, Sept. 7, 1848; Edward M., April 22, 1852. He is, by trade, a carriage-builder.

Silas, son of Benjamin and Mary, settled in Oakham, formerly part of Rutland; born in Rutland, Dec. 15, 1762. Children, — Benjamin, Cheeny, Silas, Lewis, Jonathan, Andrew.

Jonathan, son of Silas, married Betsy Temple. Children, — Stephen Albert, Edmond Joseph, Ellen Amelia, Leroy Sunderland, William P.

Silas, son of Silas of Oakham, married Lucy House of North Brookfield, March 14, 1832.

Abigail, daughter of Major Benjamin of Lexington, born March 20, 1720; married Deacon John Muzzey, Nov. 11,

1736. Children, — John, born in Lexington, Dec. 9, 1737; Abigail, May 16, 1739; Thaddeus, born in Rutland, Sept. 7, 1740; Mary, May 20, 1742; Olive, Feb. 7, 1744; Elizabeth B., May 9, 1746; Jonas, Jan. 2, 1748; Rebecca, May 24, 1750; Sarah, April 24, 1752; Bethiah, born in Spencer, June 22, 1754; Susa, June 27, 1756; Dorcas, March 19, 1758; Amos, Feb. 27, 1762; Edmond, Aug. 25, 1763; Benjamin, Aug. 14, 1765. His wife died Feb. 16, 1766. Married, for second wife, Eleanor Snow, widow of Jonathan Snow, May 14, 1778. He died June 25, 1789, aged seventy-five.

Abigail, daughter of Deacon John Muzzey and Abigail Reed, born May 16, 1739; married Thomas White of Spencer, Dec. 30, 1756, and had sixteen children. Their oldest son Thomas, born Nov. 24, 1757, married Hannah Easterbrook of Holden, Sept. 2, 1784, daughter of Ebenezer Easterbrook, and Ruth Reed, daughter of Major Benjamin of Lexington: consequently, she was cousin to his mother. They had nine children. Hannah, their second daughter, born Feb. 27, 1762; married Thomas White, jun., September, 1784, and had six children; the oldest of whom (Joseph), born Jan. 24, 1792, married Matilda Davis, whose father is cousin to Ex-Governor Davis. Married Jan. 30, 1817. Children, — Wilson D., born July 24, 1818; Persis A., Jan. 11, 1820; Windsor, March 14, 1823; Harriet M., Jan. 27, 1825, died young; Joseph E., Jan. 19, 1834, died young. He lives at West Boylston, and is known as Deacon White.

5. Samuel, son of William and Sarah of Lexington, born May 4, 1722; married Eunice Stone, daughter of Deacon John Stone and Mary Reed, his father's sister. He lived in what is now Burlington, and the farm is owned by Mr. Nichols. Children, — Samuel, born Aug. 6, 1744; Micah, Sept. 28, 1746; Moses, May 31, 1749; Francis, May 3, 1851,

died in infancy ; Eunice, Feb. 19, 1754, married Jotham Johnson ; Abigail, born Aug. 13, 1757, married Samuel Walker ; Lucy, Oct. 12, 1759, married Mr. Blanchard ; Sarah, Dec. 31, 1762, married Ichabod Johnson, brother of Jotham ; Mary, Aug. 11, 1767, married Samuel Walker, brother of Edward. He was deacon of the church in Burlington ; and he and his wife lived together sixty-five years in the same house, and died at the same time. Both occupied the same grave, and one stone marks the resting-place of both. The following is the inscription on the gravestone in the old burying-yard in Burlington : —

Here lies buried the body of

DEACON SAMUEL REED ; who died April 28, 1809, aged eighty-seven.	MRS. EUNICE REED, wife of Deacon Samuel Reed ; who died April 25, 1809, aged eighty-five.

They lived happy in the marriage state for sixty-five years, and were not separated in their death.

The Grave its trophies shall resign;
Christ will the mouldering dust refine;
And Death, the last of foes, shall be
Swallowed up in victory.

Samuel, son of Deacon Samuel and Eunice, born Aug. 6, 1744 ; married Joanna Page of Bedford, July 25, 1771. Children, — Samuel ; Frances, Feb. 5, 1773 ; Eunice, April 3, 1782 ; Rebecca, Nov. 2, 1788. He lived and died in Grafton, N.H. He was a man of large size and stature, — a relict of olden times. He was in Lexington and Bunker-Hill Fights ; and the library and public records of Harvard College were deposited in his house, in Woburn Precinct, while the British had possession of Boston. The house is standing in what is now Burlington, and owned by Mr. Nichols, whose wife is daughter of Hammond Reed. Mr. Reed returned from Lexington Fight, having in his custody two British officers.

7. Samuel, son of Samuel and Joanna of Grafton, N.H.,

bury, Sept. 3, 1846, and lives in Nashua, N.H. Child, — Merrilla R., born June 3, 1849.

Dorothy, daughter of Merrilla and George W. Drake, born Sept. 17, 1826; married Hiram F. Taylor of Danbury, Oct. 17, 1845. Children, — Helen Jane, born Aug. 26, 1846; Clara Emily, May 20, 1848; Warren French, June 27, 1854.

Rebecca, daughter of Samuel and Anna, born Aug. 23, 1808; married Moses L. Taylor, March 18, 1834, and live in Danbury. Children, — Amos Webster, born Dec. 25, 1835, died May 22, 1843; Anna, born April 29, 1838; Frank Lennett, May 19, 1844; Arthur Henry, June 11, 1848.

Samuel Reed, jun., born April 28, 1810; married Sally B. Sanders of Sanborntown, April 22, 1834. His wife died July 25, 1835. Married, for second wife, Rebecca Martin of Danbury, June 11, 1839.

Almira, daughter of Samuel and Anna, born May 5, 1812; married Silas Corliss of Bristol, N.H., Sept. 30, 1832, and live in Plymouth, N.H. Children, — Emily, born Aug. 26, 1834; Cyrus, Oct. 29, 1836; Almira, Dec. 20, 1838; Francis R., Aug. 9, 1841; Clarissa A., Aug. 8, 1843; George Henry, Sept. 15, 1846.

Clarissa, daughter of Samuel and Anna, born April 2, 1814; married Ira Heath of Grafton, Oct. 27, 1844. Children, — Frances Warren, born Aug. 2, 1845; Ira; Orin, June 18, 1846; Merilla, July 15, 1847, died Sept. 16, 1847; Samuel Oscar, born March 28, 1849; Clara Milissa, Aug. 18, 1851, died Aug. 2, 1856. He died Oct. 1, 1852, aged forty-six. She married Frederick Clay, Nov. 15, 1854; and lives in Danbury.

Ezekiel Sayles, son of Samuel Reed and Anna, born June 24, 1816; married Joanna Page Judkins of Danbury, March 11, 1841. Children, — Selwin Sayles, born Dec. 17, 1841; Samuel Page, born March 19, 1844; Mary Ellen,

Sept. 20, 1846; Benjamin Judkins, June 24, 1849; Francis, April 8, 1852. The wife of Ezekiel Sayles died Oct. 21 of the same year. He married, for second wife, Betsy B. Gilman, Aug. 31, 1854. He is deacon of the church in Danbury, a singing-master, and a mill-owner.

Rev. Francis, son of Samuel and Anna, born July 21, 1820; married Aphia Goodwin of Rumford, Me., at Lowell, Mass., July 5, 1849. Child, — Frances Ellen, born Feb. 2, 1851. He is a clergyman, and lives at Hopkinton, N.H.

Francis, son of Samuel and Joanna, born in Woburn, now Burlington, Feb. 5, 1774; married Mary Martin of Grafton. Children, — Seth, born July 24, 1801, died Aug. 3, 1803; Mary, born Feb. 20, 1804; John Page, June 24, 1806, died Feb. 28, 1839, at Grafton; Candice, Sept. 12, 1808, died at St. Anthony, M.T., Aug. 12, 1855; Alsea, May 6, 1811.

Mary, daughter of Francis and Mary, born Feb. 20, 1804; married Israel Smith of Grafton. Children, — Alsea S., born Feb. 20, 1828; Francis R., Nov. 14, 1833; Forluska M., Sept. 17, 1836; Henry Austin, July 27, 1845.

John P., son of Francis and Mary, born June 24, 1806; married Clementine B. Abbot of Sutton, N.H., Sept. 19, 1830. Children, — John Abbot, born at Grafton, Dec. 25, 1831; Ephraim L., July 15, 1835.

Candice, daughter of Francis and Mary, born Sept. 12, 1808; married Samuel Tukesbury of Grafton in 1839, and moved to St. Anthony, Min. She died May 12, 1855.

Alsea, daughter of Francis and Mary, born May 6, 1811; married Caleb Sanders of Sanborntown; and he died soon after, leaving an infant child, which soon died. Alsea married, for second husband, George Aldrich of Grafton. Children, — Candice Maria, born June 3, 1841; Alsea Ann, Oct. 29, 1848; Mary Emily, Sept. 7, 1850.

John Abbot, son of John P. Reed and Clementine, born at Grafton, Dec. 25, 1831; married Rachel France of Hud-

son, Ind., and lives at Liberty, Min. Child, — Willey Clarence, born April 24, 1857. He is a school-teacher.

Ephraim, son of John P. and Clementine, born July 15, 1835; married Sarah Ann Hunter, April 28, 1857, and lives at Lewiston, Min.

Joanna, daughter of Samuel and Joanna, born ——; married Moses Leavett, March 5, 1799. Children, — Joanna, born Jan. 15, 1800, married Abiram Sanborn, Nov. 9, 1820, and lives at Wilmot, N.H. Mr. Leavett died May 28, 1826: Joanna, his wife, died at Grafton, April 23, 1823. Children of Abiram and Joanna Sanborn, — Moses Leavett, born March 7, 1822; Aaron, March 10, 1824; Isaac, July 4, 1826; Sarah Ann, Sept. 28, 1828; Asa Morrison, Jan. 12, 1831, died March 26, 1832; Albert, born March 8, 1833; Emily Caroline, March 16, 1838; Rhoda Maria, March 12, 1843.

Moses L. Sanborn, son of Abiram and Joanna Sanborn, born March 7, 1822; married Eliza A. Burbank of Grafton, April 17, 1845, and lives at East Canaan, N.H. Children, — Warren L., born Nov. 13, 1846; Morrison L., March 26, 1849; William A. and Susan E., twins, June 19, 1854 (William A. died Aug. 2, 1854).

Aaron Sanborn, son of Abiram and Joanna Reed, born March 10, 1824; married Amanda M. Currier of Grafton, Nov. 16, 1848. Child, — Aaron E., born Aug. 28, 1849. He died at Grafton, Jan. 5, 1852.

Isaac Sanborn, son of Abiram and Joanna, born July 4, 1826; married Azubah Dunlap of Danbury, and lives at Wilmot Flat, N.H. Children, — Orin A., born Sept. 24, 1851; Pamelia E., Aug. 4, 1854; Charles E., Sept. 21, 1857.

Sarah Ann, daughter of Abiram Sanborn and Joanna, born Sept. 28, 1828; married Alfred S. Williams, April 19, 1849, and lives in Grafton. Children, — Martin A., born

March 1, 1852, died Sept. 26, 1852; Clara E., born July 6, 1855; Sumner R., Feb. 26, 1857.

Albert Sanborn, son of Abiram and Joanna, born March 8, 1833; married Lucinda Fernald of Orange, and lives at Dorchester, N.H.

Eunice, daughter of Samuel and Joanna, born March 30, 1782, at Burlington; married Levi Martin, March 11, 1802; died March 20, 1829. Children, — Eunice, born Feb. 27, 1803; Levi, Sept. 5, 1805; Samuel R., Nov. 5, 1807; Joanna, May 21, 1810, died Nov. 24, 1812; Rebecca, born Sept. 10, 1812; Cyrene, Nov. 13, 1813; Mary R., March 28, 1817. She died at Grafton, March 29, 1817.

Samuel R. Martin, son of Levi and Eunice, born Nov. 5, 1807; married Mercy French of Orange, and lives in Grafton. Children, — Candice, Eunice, Samuel R., Carlos. He has been blind for fifteen years; but manages his concerns, and gains property.

Eunice, daughter of Samuel R. Martin and Mercy, married Samuel P. Haskens, and lives in Grafton.

Rebecca, daughter of Levi Martin and Eunice, born Sept. 12, 1812; married Samuel Reed.

Cyrene, daughter of Levi Martin and Eunice, born Nov. 13, 1813; married William Sherlock of Royalton, Vt., Jan. 19, 1840. Children, — James M., born July 26, 1842; Eunice R., Feb. 14, 1845; Sally B. R., Sept. 21, 1847; Martha Jane, April 4, 1850; Frank, April 11, 1853, died May 17, 1853; Frank, born Oct. 17, 1854.

Rebecca, daughter of Samuel and Joanna, born Nov. 2, 1788; married Amos Taylor of Danbury, Oct. 29, 1807, and lived in Danbury. Child, — Moses Leavett, born Dec. 10, 1810. She died Dec. 13, 1842.

Moses L. Taylor, son of Amos Taylor and Rebecca, born Dec. 10, 1810; married Rebecca Reed, March 18, 1834. Child, — see child of Rebecca Reed.

6. Micah, son of Deacon Samuel of Burlington, born Sept. 28, 1746; married Elizabeth Page, sister of Samuel's wife. Children, — Micah, born at Burlington, Oct. 19, 1773; Elizabeth, Feb. 25, 1779, lives at New Braintree; Samuel, June 11, 1783, born at Hardwick, and died May 5, 1846, at Burlington, Vt.; Eunice, born at Hardwick, Jan. 18, 1787, married James Barn of New Braintree, and had four children. She married Parley Granger for second husband, and has had two children by him. They now live in New Braintree. He was killed March 1, 1804, by falling from a scaffold: his wife died March 21, 1838, in her ninetieth year.

7. Micah, son of Micah and Elizabeth, born Oct. 19, 1773; married Deborah Thurstain of Hardwick. Children, — Arimanily, born Sept. 22, 1798, died Oct. 14, 1837; Rebecca Page, born July 6, 1801, died Jan. 5, 1808; Abel Wheeler, born Jan. 15, 1805; Micah T., May 21, 1807; Samuel G., May 21, 1809; Hammond, Aug. 7, 1811; Sumner, March 29, 1813; Rebecca, Dec. 7, 1815; Dwight, Aug. 25, 1817. He was known as Col. Reed; and died at New Braintree, Aug. 3, 1825: his wife died June 30, 1828.

8. Abel Wheeler, son of Col. Micah and Elizabeth, born Jan. 15, 1805; married Widow Elizabeth Scouvel. Child, — Ellen Tyler, born Aug. 5, 1847, and died in 1849. He lives at Brookfield, and pays the heaviest tax of any person in the town.

8. Micah T., son of Col. Micah, born May 1, 1807; married Abigail Harlow; published Aug. 23, 1834. She was killed, June 30, 1852, by being thrown from a carriage. Child, — Thomas Harlow, born Sept. 14, 1835. He lives at North Brookfield. Married a Miss Gorham for second wife.

8. Samuel G., son of Col. Micah, born May 21, 1809; married Fanny L. Tilton; published March 14, 1832. Chil-

dren, — Sarah Elizabeth, born April 7, 1833, died Aug. 13, 1854; Charles G., April 22, 1835; Henry W., born March 11, 1843; Mary Frances, May 30, 1845; Abby Jane, Jan. 31, 1851. His wife died of consumption, Feb. 20, 1856. He lives in Worcester, and is probably the largest wheel manufacturer in the United States. His wheels are many of them sent to California, and are known through the country as *Reed's Wheels*. He was the first to establish wheel-making by machinery. Married, for second wife, Cleora E. Harlow, April 27, 1857. Child, — George Harlow, March 24, 1858. His second wife died Sept. 7, 1858, of consumption.

9. Charles G., son of Samuel G. and Fanny, born April 22, 1835; married Lucilla P. Ware, May 1, 1856. Child, — Charles Arthur, Sept. 4, 1857.

8. Hammond, son of Col. Micah, Aug. 11, 1811; married Sophia Bailey. Married, for second wife, Caroline Rich. He lives at East Brookfield.

8. Dwight, son of Col. Micah, born Aug. 25, 1817; married Susan Vaughn, March 15, 1842. Children, — Susan Ella, born May 21, 1851; Mary Emma, Oct. 27, 1854. Lives at Worcester.

8. Rebecca, daughter of Col. Micah, born Dec. 7, 1815; married James B. Bardwell. Children, — James Everett, Frederick, Alice Rebecca. Lives at New Braintree.

8. Sumner, son of Col. Micah, born May 29, 1813; married Marcia J. Henshaw; published April 3, 1843. He lives at North Brookfield.

7. Samuel, son of Micah and Elizabeth, born at Hardwick, Mass., June 11, 1783; married Patty Warner, Aug. 10, 1808. Children, — Mary, born May 7, 1809, died June 5, 1837; Eliza, born April 27, 1810, died July 16, 1837; Olive Sawyer, born Jan. 1, 1813, died Sept. 9, 1842; Charles, born March 4, 1814; Henry, Aug. 7, 1820, died June 5,

1822; Lauretta, born June 28, 1823, died Jan. 23, 1842; Samuel H., born Nov. 7, 1830. He died at Burlington, Vt., May 4, 1845: his wife died Oct. 14, 1857.

8. Samuel H., son of Samuel and Patty, born Nov. 7, 1830. Is counsellor and attorney at law in Burlington, Vt.

8. Charles, son of Samuel and Patty, born March 4, 1814. Is married, and gone West.

6. Moses, son of Deacon Samuel of Burlington, and Eunice, born May 31, 1749; married Sarah Whittemore, daughter of Jacob Whittemore of Lexington, April 23, 1770; and settled, with his father Whittemore, on the farm in Lexington, known of late years as the Finney Place. Was executor of the will of his father Whittemore, dated June 16, 1780. Children, born in Lexington, — Whittemore, Feb. 16, 1771, was killed by the falling of a tree in Bridgeton, Me., where he was preparing to settle; Moses, Aug. 10, 1773; Sarah, April 1, 1775; Abel, May 8, 1777; Elizabeth, Feb. 17, 1779, married Philip Mason of Grafton, N.H., and now lives, a widow, in Fisherville; Eliab, born in 1781; Jacob, 1783; Samuel, 1787; Abigail, 1789, married a Skinner of Chelsea, Vt. A portion of the British troops marched by their house at the time of the Lexington Fight. Their daughter Sarah was then eighteen days old. There was just time enough, after the alarm that the regulars were approaching, to take up the bed on which Mrs. Reed was lying, and put her and the children into a cart which was at the door. The inmates hastened to a wood near by. The troops fired into the house as they passed, but did no further damage. Mr. Reed sold the farm in Lexington, and bought the farm in Burlington now owned by Mr. Wood, where they kept a public-house; and afterwards exchanged the farm in Burlington with Mr. Wood of Grafton, N.H., for a tavern stand and farm in Grafton, and moved to Grafton. She died in Waterbury,

Vt., Nov. 2, 1830: he died in Waterbury, Jan. 27, 1839, in his ninetieth year.

7. Whittemore, son of Moses and Sarah, settled in Bridgeton, Me. Child, — Whittemore, born after his father's death, in Grafton, N.H.

8. Whittemore, son of Whittemore, born at Grafton, N.H.; went with his mother, when young, to Ohio, and settled in Orange, Meigs County. Children, — Darius, born 1819; Aaron, 1824; Whittemore, 1827; Enos, 1831; Sardine, 1834.

9. Sardine, the son of Whittemore, was a graduate at West Point. He married Emily Berard, daughter of one of the professors; and died suddenly of an affection of the heart, in 1858. His widow still remains at West Point.

7. Moses, son of Moses, married Mary Kinsman, and went to Ohio in 1815. Children, — Aphia, who died in 1838; Louvilla, who married Marcus Bosworth, and lives in Pomeroy; Samantha, married John McDonald of Illinois; Emily, married Phineas Robinson, and lives in Chester, Meigs County; Mary, married Harold Wills, and lives in Chester; John Lester and George Moses, live in Cincinnati; Lucinda, married Morgan Wills, and lives in Chester. He died in 1824, and his wife died in 1836.

7. Abel, son of Moses and Sarah, born at Lexington, May 8, 1777; married Ruth Lane of Candia, N.H., March 6, 1800. Children, — John Lane, born Oct. 6, 1801, died in 1805; Abel, March 30, 1803; Jacob Whittemore, March 20, 1805. His wife died June 3, 1814. Married, for second wife, Dolly Brown of Candia, in 1815. Child, — Waterman, born Nov. 15, 1818. He died in Candia, N.H., June 17, 1842.

8. Abel, son of Abel and Ruth, born March 30, 1803; married Elizabeth Ann Smith of New-York City, October, 1828. Children, — Elizabeth Lane, born May 9, 1830;

Caroline Matilda, Feb. 14, 1832; Montgomery Sheriden, May 6, 1834; Jane Maria, June 16, 1836. Married, for second wife, Charlotte Bechenbach, July 25, 1838. He lives in Philadelphia; is a man of extensive business, and a leading man in the Episcopal Church.

9. Elizabeth L., the daughter of Abel and Elizabeth, born May 9, 1830; married Joseph S. Sparks, a teller in the Commercial Bank, Dec. 13, 1855; and they live at No. 912, Mellon Street.

9. Caroline M., the daughter of Abel and Elizabeth, born Feb. 14, 1832; married Rev. Thomas S. Yocum, June 23, 1859; and they sailed immediately for China as missionaries.

8. Jacob Whittemore, son of Abel and Ruth, born March 20, 1805; married Ruhamah B. Tenney of Groveland, Oct. 3, 1826. Children, — Celina Lane, born Oct. 2, 1827; Sarah Augusta, June 28, 1829; Edward Payson, Feb. 13, 1835; Helen Abby, May 6, 1838. Celina, their first child, was born in Boston; and the others were born in Bradford, East Parish, now Groveland. He is an attorney-at-law in South Groveland.

9. Celina L., daughter of Jacob W., married Benjamin Dutton of Hartford, Vt., Sept. 8, 1851. Children, — William, born July 6, 1852; Helen Maria, Oct. 8, 1855; Henry Abial, Sept. 7, 1857.

9. Sarah Augusta, daughter of Jacob W., born June 28, 1829; married William James Brown of Bradford, June 18, 1850. Children, — Clarance, March 5, 1851; Helen Augusta, March, 1855. They live in Groveland.

8. Waterman, son of Abel, born Nov. 15, 1818; married Deborah Lunt of Newburyport, Nov. 25, 1841. Children, — Eliza, born July 22, 1842; Sarah Adelaide, Jan. 8, 1844; William, Sept. 15, 1845; Mary Jane, April 14, 1847. They live at Newburyport.

7. Eliab, son of Moses and Sarah, born in 1781; married Hannah Huse. Children, — Warren, born March 1, 1819; Eliab H., Sept. 30, 1828. Lives in Craftsbury, Vt.

8. Eliab H., son of Eliab and Hannah, born Sept. 30, 1828. Children, — Henry C., born March 2, 1855; Charles L., Jan. 12, 1857.

8. Warren, son of Eliab and Hannah, born March 1, 1819. Children, — Juliette, born July 21, 1848; Willis N., Feb. 4, 1850; George Munsun, Oct. 22, 1851; Mason W., May 2, 1854.

7. Jacob, son of Moses and Sarah, born in 1783; married Thurissa Bryant of Scituate, Oct. 2, 1817. Child, — Joshua B., born June 28, 1818. He lived at Bryant's Corner, in Scituate, and made a misstep in going down stairs in the night; when he fell, and broke a jugular vein, and died immediately, in 1828. He was for many years a teacher. His widow married Martin Stockbridge of Abington, Oct. 3, 1836.

8. Joshua B., son of Jacob and Thurissa, born June 28, 1818; married Belinda Holebrook, Oct. 10, 1841. Child, — Joshua N., born May 8, 1846. He lives in Scituate, the former residence of his father.

7. Samuel, son of Moses and Sarah, born in 1787; married Mary Potter. Children, — Cyrus, who lives in Oregon; George, Dec. 8, 1828, lives in Roxbury; Sarah; Mary, married Lewis S. Brooks; Anna. He died in Roxbury, Nov. 12, 1858.

George P., son of Samuel and Sarah, married Mary E. Morrill. Children, — Mary Eva, born Oct. 22, 1855; Berthia E., Oct. 22, 1856; George William, Dec. 4, 1858.

5. Oliver, son of William and Sarah of Lexington, born March 25, 1730; married Sarah Bridge, April 11, 1754. Children, — Oliver, born at Bedford, Dec. 11, 1755; Sarah, Oct. 4, 1757; Reuben, Dec. 21, 1759; Mary, Sept. 12, 1763.

Oliver Reed settled in Bedford, on land his grandfather bought of the town of Billerica.

6. Oliver, son of Oliver and Sarah, born Dec. 11, 1855, at Bedford; married Betsy Abbot, May 18, 1786. Child, — Oliver.

7. Oliver, son of Oliver and Betsy, married Mary Fitch, Sept. 2, 1810. Children, — Nathan Oliver and Mary Elizabeth (twins), born Feb. 6, 1812.

8. Nathan O., son of Oliver and Betsy, married Martha S. Fitch, Dec. 18, 1834. Child, — Martha Fitch, born March 2, 1841. Married, for second wife, Nancy Fitch, Nov. 10, 1843. Children, — Mary Caroline, born April 1, 1844; Nathan Henry, May 25, 1848.

6. Reuben, son of Oliver and Sarah, born Dec. 21, 1759; married Sally Burrows, Aug. 28, 1782. Married Alfred Fitch. Children, — Lot, born Jan. 19, 1792, died Sept. 24, 1821; Mary, born Sept. 19, 1793, married Abner Wheeler; Sally, Dec. 3, 1795; Isaac, Feb. 24, 1798; Jesse, Jan. 31, 1800; Louisa, Feb. 22, 1802, married Elbridge Bacon; Betsy, Aug. 29, 1804, died May 3, 1808; Hiram, born Jan. 31, 1808; Betsy, Jan. 6, 1811.

7. Jesse, son of Reuben and Sally, born Jan. 31, 1800; married Ruth Poole, Oct. 28, 1819.

5. John, son of William and Sarah of Lexington, born May 28, 1731; married Ruhamah Brown, Jan. 18, 1755. Children, — Ruhamah, born in Bedford, Dec. 11, 1753; John, June 9, 1758; Grace, April 26, 1760, died Sept. 16, 1763; Roger, born June 14, 1762; Eliott, Oct. 22, 1764, died Aug. 24, 1780; Poulter, Feb. 18, 1767; Hannah, July 18, 1763. His wife died June 9, 1798. He, with his brother Oliver, settled in Bedford, on a tract of five hundred and sixty acres of land which their grandfather bought of the town of Billerica, by deed bearing date April 9, 1710. It was then in the southerly part of Billerica, next to Con-

cord; but, when the town of Bedford was organized from the southerly part of Billerica and the north part of Concord, this tract of land became the centre of Bedford, and the dwelling-house of John was very near the Meeting-house. He held a justice of the peace's commission, and was a wealthy and prominent man in town. He died Nov. 20, 1805.

6. Roger, son of John and Ruhamah of Bedford, born at Bedford, June 14, 1762; married Sarah Webber, Nov. 25, 1790. Children, — Sally, born Oct. 8, 1797; Eliott, Nov. 9, 1800.

6. Poulter, son of John and Ruhamah, born Feb. 18, 1767; married Molly Hartwell, Sept. 1, 1789, and settled in Littleton. Children, — Polly, born June 3, 1791; Dolly, Oct. 6, 1794; Hannah, Jan. 31, 1797; Mary, March 29, 1802; Joseph Porter, Nov. 2, 1804; John Poulter, Dec. 22, 1805.

7. John Poulter, son of Poulter Reed, lives in Bedford; is a prominent man.

7. Joseph Porter, son of Poulter and Molly, married Ruth. Children, — Joseph E., born in Littleton, Oct. 11, 1830; George S., Dec. 11, 1840; Sarah A., Nov. 5, 1843; Nahum Cole, March 1, 1838; Daniel Elbridge, Oct. 11, 1842; Frances Ellis, Feb. 2, 1836.

8. Joseph E., son of Joseph P. of Littleton, born Oct. 11, 1830; married Frances M. Tuttle, May 1, 1851. Child, — Lorenzo Everett, born Aug. 22, 1851.

6. John, son of John and Ruhamah, born June 9, 1758; married Hannah Merriam, Dec. 1, 1785. Children, — Anna, born July 2, 1787; Otis, March 27, 1791; Hannah, Sept. 6, 1795; John, April 10, 1798, died May 13, 1819.

7. Otis, son of John and Hannah, born March 27, 1791; married Emily Winship. Child, — Anna W., born March 2, 1820, married to Thomas Stiles, the present town-clerk of Bedford, April 11, 1838.

5. Hammond, son of William and Sarah of Lexington, born April 28, 1734; married Betty Simonds. Children,— Betty, born Dec. 17, 1757; Lydia, July 11, 1760; Hammond, Feb. 24, 1763. The farm given him by his father was the same now owned by Mr. Joshua Simonds, across the street from the residence of his father; but he exchanged with Mr. Simonds for the farm now occupied by his descendant, Mr. Benjamin Reed.

6. Hammond, son of Hammond and Betty, born Feb. 24, 1763; married Sarah Chandler. Children,— Benjamin, born June 20, 1790; Sarah, June 21, 1792; Betsy, June 15, 1799; Almira.

7. Benjamin, son of Hammond and Sarah, born June 20, 1790; married Bethiah L. Webber of Bedford, Feb. 3, 1825. Child,— Benjamin, who lives on the homestead, and pays the largest tax assessed in Lexington.

5. Nathan, son of William and Sarah of Lexington, born May 9, 1743; married Mary Page of Bedford, April 3, 1772. Children,— Nathan, born Sept. 15, 1776; Mary, Oct. 20, 1778; Sarah, Aug. 1, 1781; Hiram, June 22, 1784; Susanna Whitmore, Aug. 10, 1786; Hannah, Sept. 4, 1789; Christopher, March 18, 1792. He occupied the old homestead of his father, situated about a mile from Lexington Monument, on the Bedford Road; and was deacon of the church in Lexington. His farm at his decease was divided among his sons, and is still occupied by them and their children.

6. Nathan, son of Nathan and Mary, born Sept. 15, 1776; married Polly Mussey. Children,— Cyrus, born Nov. 9, 1798; Nathan H., Sept. 3, 1805; ——, Feb. 3, 1810; Marshal, Oct. 2, 1815.

6. Christopher, son of Deacon Nathan, born March 18, 1792; married Betsy Gibson of Francistown. He owns and lives on a portion of the home-farm of William Reed, Esq.;

and the old mansion is kept in good repair by him as a relic of olden time, although no person has occupied it for many years.

7. Cyrus, son of Nathan and Polly, born Nov. 9, 1798; married Sarah Jewett. Children, — John Mussey, born May 24, 1825; George Henry, May 7, 1831, died Feb. 21, 1832; Catherine, Jan. 30, 1832. He lives on a portion of the farm occupied by his father, and grandfather Deacon Reed, and great-grandfather Esquire William Reed; and the title of his great-grandfather has passed to him.

7. N. Horatio, son of Nathan and Polly, born Sept. 28, 1805; married Lucilla Meigs. Child, — Mary E., born Feb. 10, 1842. He is deceased; and his widow and daughter have moved to Janesville, Wis.

7. Sarah, the daughter of Hammond Reed and Sarah, born June 21, 1792; married —— Nichols of Burlington.

7. Betsy, the daughter of Hammond and Sarah, born June 15, 1799; married Aaron P. Richardson of Lexington.

7. Almira, the daughter of Hammond and Sarah, married Ebenezer R. Smith of Lexington. Children, — Emily, who married Edward Reed of Burlington; Almira J.; Elias Reed; Octavia.

6. Nathaniel, son of William and Abigail Stone of Lexington, born June 2, 1749; married Hepsibah Bateman of Bedford, July 25, 1771.

6. Thadeus, son of William and Abigail, born Aug. 25, 1755; married Anna. Children, — Edmond, born Oct. 20, 1778; Esther, Aug. 10, 1790; William, July 13, 1792; Thadeus, Oct. 13, 1794; Anna, Feb. 12, 1797; Augustus, June 27, 1799; Lucy, July 24, 1801. Most of the family died of the small-pox, in the early part of the year 1824.

7. Thadeus, son of Thadeus and Anna, born Oct 13, 1794; married Phebe Prescott of Concord, Dec. 8, 1819.

4. Nathaniel, son of Joseph and Phebe, and grandson of Ralph, born March 28, 1704; married Hannah. Children, Mary, born April 15, 1735; Joshua, Nov. 17, 1739. He lived on the farm at Woburn Westside, known at this time as the Gennison Place. The old house was taken down by Mr. Gennison, about twenty years ago, to make room for a new one. He was a captain in the Revolution; and his son Joshua was his waiter, and drew a pension under the Act of 1818.

5. Joshua, son of Nathaniel and Hannah, born Nov. 17, 1739; married Rachel Wyman, daughter of Joshua of Woburn, Nov. 28, 1759. Children, — Joshua; Martha, born March 25, 1764; George W., Nov. 8, 1775. He was known as Capt. Joshua, and died March 9, 1805: his wife died Oct. 14, 1818, aged eighty-one years.

6. Joshua, son of Joshua and Rachel, born at Woburn; married Ann Richardson, May 29, 1782. He was in the Revolutionary War, and also in the war of 1812. Children, — Joshua, born 1790; Nancy, 1792; John, March 19, 1795; Bill, April 24, 1799; Thomas, 1801; Zacariah, Oct. 21, 1804; Ruth, Feb. 6, 1810.

6. George W., son of Joshua and Rachel, born at Woburn, Nov. 8, 1775; married Elizabeth Symmes, Dec. 13, 1801. Children, — Mary, born Sept. 13, 1805; Elizabeth, June 29, 1808; Warren, April 10, 1811; Jackson, Jan. 25, 1813; George W. He was a captain of cavalry, and died in April, 1829.

7. George W., son of George W. and Elizabeth, married Elizabeth Pearson. Children, — Sarah H., born in 1840; Josephene, Dec. 12, 1841; Eliza S., 1848. He lives at Woburn Centre, and is a butcher.

7. Elizabeth, daughter of Capt. George Reed, born June 29, 1808; married Rodney Clement of Salem, N.H.. Child, — Fanny, born in 1839.

4. Joshua, son of William and Abigail of Lexington, born Jan. 20, 1702; married Elizabeth Russell, Jan. 21, 1725. Children,—Elizabeth, born Feb. 28, 1726; Hepsibah, Mar. 8, 1728; Joshua, May 15, 1729; James; Joseph, June 21, 1739; Rebecca Susan. His wife died Feb. 27, 1744.

5. Joshua, son of Joshua and Elizabeth, born May 15, 1729; married Susanna Leathers, and afterwards Mrs. Brooks. Children,—Susanna, born March 11, 1759; Hepsibah, Feb. 26, 1769; Charles, July 10, 1781; Susanna, Jan. 30, 1783; Phebe, Aug. 28, 1792.

6. Charles, son of Joshua and Susanna, born July 10, 1781; married Almira Mussey, Oct. 23, 1817. Child,—Charles M., born Sept. 12, 1819. Married, for second wife, Martha Wellington, June 28, 1820. He was the first that manifested any desire to trace out the genealogy of the Reads, and had accomplished much before his death. Had he lived, he would undoubtedly have done more.

5. Joseph, the son of Joshua, born in Lexington, June 21, 1729; married Elizabeth. Child,—Janus; has a grandson by the name of Peter, who is an innholder in Sterling.

4. Samuel, son of William and Abigail of Lexington, born Oct. 24, 1699, and settled in Lunenburg; married Mary Bullard of Lunenburg, Oct. 26, 1738. Children,—Samuel, born July 13, 1740; Mary, July 30, 1742, married to Josiah Bailey, April 15, 1760; Hannah, born April 12, 1745; Sarah, July 23, 1747, married Nathan Smith, Dec. 22, 1768; Precilla, born Aug. 10, 1749, married Thomas Carter, jun., Feb. 13, 1765; Jesse, born July 23, 1751; Rebecca, Jan. 25, 1753; Joshua, Feb. 18, 1757. He moved from Lunenburg to Windham, Me., soon after the birth of their first child; and, in 1782, to Otisfield. He was killed by lightning in 1784.

5. Samuel, son of Samuel and Mary, born July 13, 1740; married Mary. Children,—Drucilla, born Dec. 23, 1766;

Mary; Sally; Lydia; Martha; Samuel, in 1780; William, was drowned when a young man.

6. Samuel, son of Samuel and Mary, born in 1780; married Martha Maybury in 1805. Children, — William, born Sept. 29, 1805, lives on the old farm in Otisfield; Mary, Oct. 22, 1807; Samuel Tarbell, Dec. 24, 1809; Sally, Jan. 30, 1812; Martha, Feb. 21, 1814; Charles, Jan. 1, 1816; Francis, Sept. 7, 1818; George W., May 26, 1821; Jane, Oct. 17, 1825; John Sullivan, May 7, 1829, lives in Otisfield. He died in 1831.

5. Jesse, son of Samuel and Mary of Lunenburg, born July 23, 1851. Child, — Polly, born in Lunenburg, Sept. 10, 1791.

5. James, son of Joshua, settled in Ringe, N.H.; married Susanna Stone, Nov. 29, 1792. Children, — Hepsibah, Jan. 8, 1793; Joshua, Feb. 1, 1795; Elizabeth; Abigail. His widow married John Fenno.

Joshua, son of James and Susan of Ringe, born Feb. 1, 1795; married Betsy Fenno; published Sept. 6, 1816. Children, — James A., born Jan. 21, 1815; Charles, April 24, 1820; Lucius, Sept. 29, 1822; Abigail; Hepsibah; Rebecca; Susan.

6. Abigail, daughter of Joshua of Ringe, married Ebenezer Muzzy. Children, — Isaac; Betsy; Thaddeus; Abigail; John, who does business in Boston, but lives in Lexington.

6. Hepsibah, daughter of Joshua of Ringe, married a Wait.

6. Rebecca, daughter of Joshua of Ringe, married a Wait.

6. Susan, daughter of Joshua of Ringe, married Jonas Bridge, Esq., of Lexington. Children, — Martha, Jonas, Bowman, Betsy, Caroline.

5. Joseph, son of Joshua and Elizabeth, born in Lexington, June 21, 1739; married Elizabeth Blood, Dec. 22, 1761; settled in Rutland. Child, — Jonas.

6. Jonas, son of Joseph and Elizabeth of Rutland, married Abigail. Children, — Benjamin; Hammond, born July 1, 1794; William, Oct. 30, 1798.

3. John, the son of George of Woburn, and Hannah, his second wife, born March 8, 1671; married Ruth Johnson, Jan. 10, 1697. His father gave him half of his farm, May 4, 1696. His wife died in 1703. His children were — Josiah, born at Woburn, March 24, 1702; Ruth, August, 1708. His will was proved July 29, 1723.

4. Josiah, the son of John and Ruth, was born March 26, 1702; married Elizabeth Williams in 1732, but may have had a wife previous. Their children were — Josiah, born Sept. 15, 1733; Phebe, Sept. 28, 1737; Elizabeth, Sept. 29, 1739, who married John Brent; Susanna, born at Needham, April 9, 1745; Mary, March 2, 1747. He lived at one time in Watertown, and went from there to Needham; but it is supposed that he afterwards moved to Sudbury, as did many others from Cambridge, Charlestown, Watertown, and Woburn. He died in Dover, Mass., March 9, 1786, aged eighty-four years.

CHAPTER V.

ESDRAS READE OF BOSTON, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

Esdras Reade, supposed to be a son of Matthew and his wife Alice Ward, had a tract of land granted him by the town of Boston, situated at Muddy River, now Brookline; but, in 1637, he was of Salem, and a prominent and leading member of the church of Rev. John Fiske. He had a tract of land granted him by the town of Salem. He went with Rev. Mr. Fiske and his church to Wenham, then called Enon, meaning "much water." He was representative from Wenham in 1648 and in 1651. He was sent in 1655, by Mr. Fiske and his church, to look out a more commodious settlement; and he selected Chelmsford. The next spring, Mr. Read, Mr. Fiske, and a majority of the church, removed to that place. He, however, left Chelmsford in 1661, and returned to Boston, where he died in 1680; and his gravestone is now standing in Copps-Hill Burying-yard. He was a tailor by trade, and owned considerable real estate on Copps Hill at the time of his death. He had a son Obediah, who married Anna Swift, the 19th of the sixth month, 1664; and had, by her, Thomas, born in July, 1665; Rebecca, in 1668; Elizabeth, in Boston, March 29, 1669; Sarah, April 16, 1671; Anna, Feb. 3, 1772, who married Samuel Ensign in 1700; Obadiah, Nov. 29, 1677; James, Feb. 29, 1679. His wife died Sept. 13, 1680. His will was proved in 1718. He was a carpenter by trade. His gravestone is also standing in the burying-yard at Copps Hill.

3. Thomas, the son of Obadiah and Anna, went back to Chelmsford, and had a town-grant in 1665. On the 7th of February, 1707, he bought a tract of land in Chelmsford of one Fowler, lying between Tadnoc and Stony Brooks, and took a deed running to himself and his son Thomas. His children were — Thomas, who was born in 1687; Jonathan; William; Esdras; John. He married Hannah for second wife; by whom he had Benjamin, Oct. 23, 1699; and Timothy.

4. Thomas, the son of Thomas of Chelmsford, married Sarah Fletcher, in Charlestown, March 14, 1709. He had a town-grant of land, March 24, 1711. Children, — Sarah, born March 23, 1711, died young; Sarah, Aug. 17, 1712; Timothy, March 21, 1714; Eleazer, Feb. 22, 1731; Benjamin, Sept. 3, 1732. He was a prominent man in the town, and held a commission of justice of the peace. He died Dec. 24, 1773, aged eighty-six years: his son Benjamin died April 2, 1778, in that part of the town which was incorporated as the town of Westford. The Reads were the first settlers in Westford. All by that name in Chelmsford finally located in Westford.

3. Obadiah, the son of Obadiah, born Nov. 29, 1677; married Jane Perkins. Children, — Elizabeth, Jan. 3, 1713; Susanna, born Sept. 28, 1717.

3. James, the son of Obadiah, born in Boston, Feb. 29, 1679; married Elizabeth. Children, — Anna, born June 24, 1708; James, Nov. 28, 1709.

4. James, son of James and Elizabeth, and grandson of Obadiah, born Nov. 24, 1709; married Mary. Their children were — Mary, who was born Oct. 5, 1730; James; Brackley; Thomas; Elizabeth; and Anna, who married a Vandelier. Mr. Read was a pump and block maker; and the same business was continued in the family several generations. The work-shop was near Oliver's Dock. His sons

Thomas and Brackley were his successors: his grandson Edward followed in his turn.

5. Brackley Reed's estate was administered upon in 1786, and that of Thomas in 1785. Edward, the son of Thomas, took letters of administration, *de bonis non*, of the estate of his grandfather James, who had been captain of an engine company at the age of twenty-three years. Brackley, Thomas, and Thomas, jun., were sufferers by the great fire in 1760.

5. James, the son of James and Mary, married Mehitable Fenno in 1759. Children, — James, born Feb. 14, 1762; Abigail, March 24, 1764; Benjamin, May 20, 1767; Thomas, March 1, 1770; William, May 11, 1775; Elisha, Oct. 31, 1777; William H., Sept. 26, 1779; Samuel, July 5, 1782; Clarissa, Sept. 5, 1785. His wife died July 2, 1828, aged eighty-eight years. He worked with his father at pump and block making, in the shop near Oliver's Dock, till his marriage. He soon after settled in that part of Dorchester which is now Milton.

6. Benjamin, the son of James and Mehitable, born May 20, 1767; married Lydia Voce, March 25, 1787. Children, — Joshua V., born Oct. 29, 1787; John, May, 1789; Joseph S., March 31, 1792; Elijah, April 20, 1795; Benjamin, Sept. 16, 1796; Joseph E., May 16, 1802.

6. Thomas, the son of James and Mehitable of Milton, born March 1, 1770; married Polly Allen, April 25, 1803. Children, — Joshua Thomas, born Jan. 20, 1806; James; Samuel, Jan. 14, 1808; Mary Ann, June 27, 1814; Mehitable Fenno, Nov. 29, 1816.

6. Samuel, the son of James and Mehitable, born July 5, 1782; married Phebe Raymond of Westford, Nov. 28, 1816. Child, — Henry Rowland, born June 24, 1821.

7. Joshua, son of Thomas and Polly of Milton, born Jan. 20, 1806.

6. James, son of James and Mehitable of Milton, born Feb. 4, 1762; lived in Boston. Child, — Thomas.

7. Thomas, son of James of Boston, and grandson of James and Mehitable, married Polly Allen, April 25, 1803. Children, — Joshua Thomas, born Jan. 20, 1806; James Samuel, Jan. 14, 1808; Mary Ann, June 27, 1814; Mehitable Fenno, Nov. 29, 1816.

6. Samuel, son of James and Mehitable, born July 5, 1782; married Phebe Raymond of Westford, Nov. 28, 1816. Child, — Henry Rowland, June 24, 1829.

7. John P., grandson of James and Mehitable. Child, — James Sewell, born April 3, 1832.

7. Joseph Elijah, grandson of James and Mehitable, born May 6, 1802; married Lydia V. Shepherd, June 18, 1829. Children, — Edwin James and Ellen Jane, born May 12, 1833; Mary Caroline, Oct. 12, 1836; Frances Abby, Sept. 11, 1845.

7. Joseph S., son of Benjamin and Lydia, born March 31, 1792; married Amelia Jenkins, Oct. 20, 1816.

6. John Walter, son of James and Mehitable, born May 18, 1789; married Mary Bullock, Aug. 7, 1817. He got the Walter added after he came of age. Children, — John Walter, Joshua H., Caroline, Lorena. He removed to Augusta, in the State of Georgia; and died there in 1825.

7. John Walter, son of John Walter, married Ellen S. Dogan, May 9, 1852. He keeps at No. 4, Brattle Street, Boston.

7. Joshua H., son of John Walter, married Miss Vandyke.

6. William H., son of James and Mehitable, born at Dorchester, Sept. 26, 1779; married Anna Libbey. Children, — William F. M., born in Hampden, Me., Aug. 29, 1805; Jason, April 26, 1809; Anne, May 5, 1811. Married, for second wife, Lucy Grant. Children, — Daniel M., born

Aug. 17, 1816; George G., Nov. 9, 1819; Andrew G., Jan. 27, 1821; Sarah L. G., June 21, 1823; Francis A., Aug. 10, 1824, died April 18, 1825; Francis P., born Jan. 27, 1827; Charles A., Sept. 18, 1830; Clara C., April 8, 1832; William R., Dec. 21, 1833. He died March 31, 1858.

7. William F. M., son of William H. and Anna, born Aug. 29, 1805; married Emeline Jayne. Children, — Emeline J., born Nov. 27, 1833; William C., Nov. 1, 1835, — a student in Andover Theological Seminary; Beverly S., June 19, 1837; Thomas G., July 5, 1845; Henry G., Nov. 17, 1845. His wife died Dec. 5, 1845. Married, for second wife, Sophia S. Towne. Children, — Clarkson T., born Feb. 10, 1848; Barrett R., Aug. 8, 1850; Ernest R., Oct. 8, 1851; Barrett E., April 7, 1853; Barrett R., died Sept. 11, 1851; Ernest R., died April 18, 1853; Barrett E., died Sept. 7, 1853.

7. Jason, son of William H. and Anna, born April 26, 1809; married Almira Turener, Jan. 17, 1840, and lived in Bucksport, Me. Children, — Augusta, born Nov. 27, 1840; Olin P., July 10, 1845, died April 21, 1855; Mary A., April 15, 1852, died May 2, 1858; Emma S., July 29, 1856, died Oct. 25, 1856. The last named was by his second wife, Laura M. Williams; to whom he was married in 1854. He died March 15, 1858.

7. Anna, daughter of William H. and Anna, born May 5, 1811; married David B. Kempton, February, 1830, and settled in Adams, Mich. Children, — Frances Anna, David W., Julia A., Jane D., Albina V., Benjamin F., Elmira E.

7. George G., son of William H. and Lucy, born Nov. 9, 1819, and settled in Hampton. Married Sarah H. Snow, Dec. 29, 1847. Children, — George E., born Nov. 9, 1848; Susan E., July 15, 1852; Emma, June 12, 1854, died March 1, 1855; Micajah H., Oct. 14, 1856.

7. Andrew G., son of William H. and Lucy, born Jan. 27, 1821; married Rebecca Patridge, Dec. 12, 1852, and settled in Rockland, Me. Child, — Carance E., born May 31, 1854.

7. Francis P., son of William H. and Lucy, born Jan. 27, 1827; married Susan E. Patten, July 15, 1849, and settled in Hampton, Me. She died Oct. 6, 1857. Children, — Julia F., born Sept. 5, 1850, died 1852; Willis Martin, June 19, 1853; Arthur B., Sept. 19, 1855.

7. Charles A., son of William H. and Lucy, born Sept. 18, 1830; married Elmira J. Willson, May 11, 1850, and lives in Rockland, Me. Children, — Helen F., born July 5, 1850; Hattie D., Oct. 21, 1853.

7. Clara C., daughter of William H. and Lucy, born April 8, 1832; married Isaac H. Young, June 8, 1851, and lives at Hampton, Me. He died Aug. 11, 1856.

6. Thomas, son of James and Mehitable, born at Dorchester, March 1, 1770; lived in Boston, and died November, 1852.

6. Samuel, son of James and Mehitable, born at Dorchester, Mass., July 6, 1783; lived in Beaufort, S.C., and died Nov. 22, 1838.

5. Timothy, son of Thomas and Sarah, born at Chelmsford, March 21, 1714; married Mary Cummings, Nov. 10, 1732. Children, — Elizabeth, born Feb. 2, 1733; Mary, Feb. 22, 1734; Timothy, Aug. 30, 1736, settled in Putney, Vt.; Eleazer. He moved from Chelmsford to Dunstable, when that was the name of a tract comprising Dunstable, Nashua, Nashville, Hollis, and parts of the towns of Pelham, Londonderry, Hudson, Merrimac, and Townsend; making in all about two hundred square miles, which constituted for many years the northern frontier, where many savage outrages were committed by the Indians, and many deeds of valor and heroism were performed by the whites. It was from

this region that Lovell and a portion of his men came; and Timothy Read was one of the number selected, after Lovell's Fight at Pigmarket, to go and scout for Indians, and bury those who were killed in the fight. While pursuing that object, they espied something in the bushes, which they supposed was an Indian; and Mr. Read was selected, on account of being a superior marksman, to fire; which he did. The sequel shows that he had shot a neighbor by the name of Whitney, who had been wounded in the fight, and crawled into the bushes to prevent being discovered by Indians. This event cast a shade of melancholy over the feelings of Mr. Reed, which he hardly forgot through life. The following scrap may give the reader some idea of the times in which this man and his associates lived: —

"Old Dunstable was a very different town from that which at present passes by that name. It was settled in 1673, and included more than two hundred square miles, embracing the towns of Nashua, Nashville, Hudson, and Hollis, in New Hampshire; besides Dunstable and Tyngsborough, Mass.; also portions of Amherst, Milford, Merrimac, Litchfield, Londonderry, Pelham, and Brookline, N.H.; and parts of Pepperell and Townsend, Mass. Dunstable figured quite prominently in the Indian wars and in that of the Revolution. Those who are curious in reference to these and other matters can gain a full knowledge of them in Fox's History of the old township of Dunstable.

"A few particulars of the olden times may interest the general reader. The following were the expenses of the funeral of James Blanchard, a farmer in tolerable circumstances, who died in Dunstable in 1704: Paid for a winding-sheet, 18s.; for a coffin, 10s.; for digging grave, 7s. 6d.; for the use of the pall, 5s.; for gloves (to distribute at the funeral), £1. 1s.; for *wine, cigars, and spice* (at the funeral), £1. 5s. 9d.; for the doctor, 14s. 9d.; for attendance, expenses, &c., £1. 17s. 5d.

"So great was the alarm from the frequent incursions of the Indians, that the inhabitants lived chiefly in garrisons as late as

1711. There were then seven garrisons, termed Col. Jonathan Tyng's, Mr. Henry Farwell's, Mr. John Cummings's, Col. Samuel Whiting's, Mr. Thomas Lands's, Queen's Garrison, and Mr. John Lollendine's. They contained thirteen families, seven male inhabitants, nineteen soldiers, — a total of eighty-six persons.

"So perilous were the times, that Dunstable was scarcely more advanced in 1714 than it was in 1680. 'Many of the most useful inhabitants had been slain or taken captive, — heads of families especially. Some had removed to places more secure from Indian depredation, and had deserted all.'"

6. Eleazer, son of Timothy and Mary, born in Dunstable, February, 1749; married Rachel Cummings. Children, — Rachel, born June 4, 1770; Rhoda, Nov. 26, 1772; Caleb, Aug. 7, 1775, died Nov. 28, 1838; Leonard, April 4, 1777; Rebecca, March 5, 1779; Betsy, Dec. 17, 1730.

7. Rebecca, daughter of Eleazer, married a Pratt. Child, — Cummings Pratt, who lives in Roxbury.

7. Caleb, son of Eleazer, born Aug. 7, 1775; married Sarah Richardson. Children, — Calvin, born in Dunstable, Jan. 20, 1798; James, 1799; Rachel; Abigail. Married, for second wife, Widow Catherine Blodget. Children, — Almira, Catherine, Sarah, Mary Ann, Betsy.

8. Calvin, son of Caleb, born in Dunstable, Jan. 10, 1798; married Catherine Baxter. Children, — Sarah Richardson, born in Hawley, Mass., Jan. 4, 1821; Calvin Dwight, in Ashfield, Feb. 28, 1824; William Eleazer, in Hawley, Dec. 19, 1828; Calvin Blood, in Hawley, July 13, 1831; Ann Eliza, in Dunstable, Feb. 8, 1833, died Sept. 1, 1835; Charles Freeman, Aug. 7, 1835; James Alonzo, Nov. 9, 1839; Emily, in Lenox, N.Y., Sept. 2, 1844. He now lives in Durhamville, Oneida County, N.Y.; having left Dunstable in 1844.

8. James, son of Caleb, married Bethiah Runnels of Hollis. Children, — Eben Runnels, born June 20, 1824; Hiram Augustus, Oct. 13, 1826; Calvin Richardson,

March 3, 1829; James Dexter, Aug. 28, 1832; Dana Dunbar, Dec. 15, 1834; Hannah Abba, July 11, 1836. He lives in Medford, Mass.

6. Timothy, son of Timothy and Mary, born Aug. 30, 1736, and settled in Dummerston, Vt. Children, — Isaac, Timothy, William.

7. Isaac, son of Timothy of Dummerston, Vt. Children, — David, Timothy, Sevil, Isaac, Josiah P., Robert, John.

8. Robert, who had Robert and Randall.

8. Timothy, son of Isaac, had Abel, Timothy, John, Daniel, Lucy, Charles, Ransom.

8. John, who married Eliza. Children, — Sarah Jane; Daniel H., born Nov. 1, 1838. John lives in Fitzwilliam, N.H,

Timothy, married Sarah. Child, — Sumner S., born Aug. 14, 1841.

8. Timothy, son of Timothy of Dummerston, of the firm of Reed and Furbush in Boston, married Jane Childs, Feb. 7, 1836. Children, — Alden, Emma, Timothy, Nabby, Francis. Married, for second wife, Martha E. Whitney. Child, — Frank. He died at Boston, July 14, 1858.

5. Joseph, son of Thomas, born at Chelmsford, June 4, 1716; married Ruth Underwood, May 30, 1737. Children, — Joshua, born Dec. 1, 1737; Ruth, Jan. 4, 1740; Benjamin, Dec. 31, 1742, died at Crown Point, October, 1760; Joseph, Oct. 9, 1746; Leonard, April 23, 1750; Molly, Aug. 31, 1851, died Feb. 14, 1777; Sampson, May 13, 1754, died Feb. 22, 1777. He was a man of distinction; was representative of the town of Westford twenty years in succession; and was one of the Boston Tea-party, although then somewhat advanced in life.

6. Joshua, son of Joseph and Ruth, born Dec. 1, 1737; married Mary Spaulding. Children, — Elnathan, born Oct. 12, 1758; Benjamin, Dec. 5, 1760; Joshua, March 6,

1763, settled in Stoddard, N.H.; Phineas, born Oct. 18, 1765; Amos, Aug. 1, 1768; Isaiah, Oct. 14, 1770, died March 13, 1777; Zaccheus, born March 8, 1773; Joseph, March 13, 1776, lives in Montpelier, Vt.; Isaiah, March 17, 1778, lives in Stoddard, N.H. He was a justice of the peace and an influential man.

7. Elnathan, son of Joshua, born at Westford, Oct. 12, 1758; was in the Revolutionary War, during the whole term, under Gen. Sullivan and Col. Morgan; was discharged at the close of the war at North Carolina; and died at Cavendish, Vt., leaving nine daughters, who married and have families. He was a pensioner.

6. Joseph, son of Joseph and Ruth, born at Westford, Oct. 9, 1746; married Sybel Procter of Chelmsford, Nov. 16, 1769.

7. Benjamin, son of Joshua and Ruth, born at Westford, Dec. 5, 1760; served three years in the Revolution; married Olive Robbins of Westford, May 30, 1783; settled in Templeton, Mass., and followed the occupation of a tanner. He was a man of distinction and much wealth. He died in 1823, leaving one daughter who had buried her children.

7. Joshua, son of Joshua, born in Westford, March 6, 1763; served three years in the Revolutionary War; and finally settled in Stoddard, N.H., and drew a pension. He had a large family, some of which are men of distinction and wealth in Nashua, N.H.

7. Phineas, son of Joshua, born at Westford, Oct. 18, 1765. He enlisted at fourteen years of age as a private under Capt. Tucker of Salem. He learned the tanner's trade, after the war, with his brother Benjamin, at Templeton. He settled in Fitzwilliam, N.H., March 24, 1787, and married Elizabeth Day of Templeton. Children, — Eliza, born Oct. 21, 1790; Edward O., March 8, 1793; Daniel, Jan. 2, 1796; John M., Sept. 18, 1802; Joseph, Sept. 23,

1804, who died at Charlestown in 1826; Elliot, born April 21, 1806, who died in Georgia, June 15, 1838; Sarah, born May 21, 1811; George, Sept. 3, 1815, who married Maria Pray of Salem, Mass., and lives in California. He died in 1852.

8. Eliza, daughter of Phineas of Fitzwilliam, born Oct. 21, 1790; married James Godfrey. Children, — Joseph, who is an engineer at Springfield, Mass.; James, who is in California.

8. Edward, son of Phineas, born at Fitzwilliam, March 8, 1793; graduated at Dartmouth College, and practised law in Homer, N.Y.; was a member of Congress during Jackson's administration; and has two daughters married, and one not married, and two sons in California.

8. Daniel, son of Phineas, born Jan. 2, 1797; lives in Adrian, Mich. Has two daughters married; one of whom is at Adrian, and one at Worcester, Mass.

8. Mary, daughter of Phineas, born July 8, 1800; married Eli Sprague. They live at Ashfield, Mass., and have a daughter and a son with them, and one son in California.

8. John M., son of Phineas, born Oct. 18, 1802; married Henrietta Taylor. Has no children. The father of Mrs. Reed was connected with the army during the Mexican War, and distinguished himself at Monterey. He was afterwards in the quartermaster's department, in Gen. Pierce's brigade; and was lassoed the 24th of September, 1847 or 8, while out procuring supplies, in charge of a baggage-train from Gen. Taylor to Gen. Scott.

8. Sarah, daughter of Phineas, born May 21, 1811; married Major Daniel T. Hayden, Nov. 5, 1833. He was a merchant in Fitzwilliam, and accidentally shot, Aug. 18, 1838, — a sad event. She married, for second husband, Dexter Whittemore, a merchant; and lives in New-York City.

8. Charles, son of Phineas, born March 17, 1813; married Betsy Osburn, April 8, 1835. Child, — Daniel H., named after the uncle who was shot.

7. Amos, son of Joshua, born at Westford, Aug. 1, 1768; married Rachal Prescott of Groton in 1790. Children, — Rachal, born Aug. 19, 1790, married Jacob O. Parker; Bethiah, May 26, 1792; Amos, April 7, 1794; Joshua, March 12, 1796; Otis, May 18, 1807; Stephen, March 5, 1799; Francis, March 28, 1809; Augusta Maria, Sept. 4, 1812. He moved to Sodus, N.Y.

7. Zacheus, son of Joshua, born at Westford, March 8, 1773; lived and died on the old farm in Westford; married Mary Parker in 1795. Children, — Zacheus, born Jan. 27, 1796; Abigail, Dec. 23, 1798; Mary, May 27, 1801; E. Haywood; Josiah, died in Charlestown in 1834; Almira, Oct. 19, 1811; Edwin, Nov. 28, 1814, died in 1832. He died Sept. 15, 1854, aged eighty-one years.

8. Zacheus, son of Zacheus of Westford, born Jan. 27, 1796; married Mary Haywood. Children, — Mary E., Sept. 2, 1823, married Silas N. Haywood of Springfield in 1845; Edward L., Aug. 13, 1825, died Jan. 16, 1852; Martha Ann, Sept. 16, 1828, married E. F. Dupee in 1845; Joseph H., Aug. 5, 1835; Emily F., Aug. 9, 1837.

9. Edward L., son of Zacheus of Westford, born Aug. 13, 1825; married Julia A. Chamberlain, Jan. 6, 1852; and, by my record, died the 16th of the same month.

7. Joseph, son of Joshua and Mary, born at Westford, March 13, 1776; was for many years a merchant in Thetford, Vt.; but now resides in Montpelier, and has been for more than twenty years Judge of Probate. Children, — Charles, who is of the firm of Morrill and Reed, attorneys-at-law, in Montpelier; George, who is Secretary of the National Insurance Company.

7. Isaiah, son of Joshua, born March 17, 1778; married

Lydia Procter. Children, — Lydia, born June 4, 1798, married Amasa Fairbanks; Isaiah, June 18, 1802; Jonas P., Dec. 16, 1806; Nancy, Nov. 30, 1809; Cyrus, April 24, 1814; John, Feb. 22, 1817; Edward, July 30, 1819. He lives in Stodard, N.H.

8. Lydia, daughter of Isaiah of Stodard, born June 4, 1799; married Amasa Fairbanks, March 4, 1813. Children, — Sumner; Mary. The family live in Washington, N.H. She died March 10, 1846.

8. Isaiah, son of Isaiah of Stodard, born June 18, 1802; married Susanna Dodge, Aug. 12, 1830. Child, — Columbus, born Sept. 14, 1831, who is a law student at Concord. He died March 31, 1836.

8. Jonas P., son of Isaiah of Stodard, born Dec. 16, 1806; married Ann Waldron, Dec. 15, 1837. Children, — Frederick, Feb. 5, 1838; Benton H., Nov. 9, 1840; Jonas L., Nov. 13, 1842; Martha, Nov. 29, 1844; Isabella A., March 8, 1854. Lives at Stodard.

8. Nancy, daughter of Isaiah, born Nov. 30, 1809; married Samuel Jenkins, Aug. 18, 1829. Children, — Nancy Ann, born Nov. 22, 1830; Edmond S., July 30, 1831; Lydia, Nov. 23, 1837. Live in Stodard.

8. John, son of Isaiah, born July 30, 1819; married Harriet Wright, April 24, 1842. Children, — James, born June, 1846; Henry, July 20, 1850; Frank, Aug. 8, 1853.

8. Edward, son of Isaiah, born July 30, 1819; married Mary A. Page, Oct. 16, 1844. Children, — George E., July 24, 1845; Mary M., Sept. 18, 1850; Joseph A., March 18, 1856.

4. John, son of Thomas of Chelmsford, grandson of Obediah, married Jane Chamberlain at Charlestown, Jan. 10, 1707; and had Samuel, born Aug 11, 1711; Thomas, Oct. 25, 1713; William, April 2, 1715; Jane, April 1, 1717; Sarah, Feb. 22, 1719; Betsy, May 27, 1721; Hannah,

Feb. 15, 1723; Lucy, July 16, 1727; Jacob. He had a town-grant of land, March 28, 1719; and his children were all born in Chelmsford.

5. Jacob, son of John and Jane, married Lucy. Children, — Benjamin, born Feb. 22, 1752; Precilla, June 3, 1756; John, May 22, 1758.

6. Samuel, son of Samuel and Hannah, born at Chelmsford, Aug. 15, 1774; married ——. Children, — Mary, married a Hosley of Pepperel; Nancy, married Calvin Fletcher of Groton; Eliza, married Joseph Stevens of Littleton; A. J.; Walter; Rufus, 1805. Mr. Samuel Reed is now living in Littleton.

7. Rufus, son of Samuel, born 1805; married Hannah Fitch. Children, — Mary Louisa, born in Providence in 1833; Rufus Fletcher and Harriet Fitch (twins), in 1834 and 5, in two different years, in Newport; Joseph R., 1836; Pamelia A., at Providence, 1837; Sarah F., 1841; Samuel Rufus, 1843. He is now living in Providence.

6. Bridget, daughter of Samuel and Hannah, born at Westford, July 14, 1762; married Jonas Keyes, and settled in Putney, Vt. Children, — Raymond; Jonas; John, who lives in Putney; Polly, who married a Flint of Royalton, Vt.; Sally, married a Lamb, and married Ephreim Morse of Newfane for second husband; Lucy, who married David Reed of Dummerston.

5. Samuel, son of John and Jane, born Aug. 11, 1711; married Abigail Cummings, Nov. 23, 1732. Children, — Thomas, born in Westford, Feb. 6, 1733; Samuel, Jan. 20, 1735, died Jan. 20, 1755; Silas, April 2, 1737; William, Sept. 24, 1739. His wife died March 31, 1743. Married Hannah Underwood, June 22, 1757. Children, — Abigail, April 8, 1758; Olive, April 13, 1760, married Silas Procter in 1784; Bridget, July 14, 1762; Samuel, Aug. 15, 1764. Lived in Westford.

6. Samuel, son of Samuel and Abigail, born Aug. 15, 1774. Children, — Mary, who married a Hosley of Pepperel; Nancy, married Calvin Fletcher of Groton; Eliza, married Joseph Stevens of Littleton; Walter; Rufus, who lives in Providence.

6. Thomas, son of Samuel and Abigail of Westford, born Feb. 6, 1733; married Susanna Dutton, Dec. 13, 1753. Children, — Stephen, born March 26, 1754; Abigail, June 5, 1757; Susanna, May 2, 1759, died March 2, 1762; Jemima, Nov. 10, 1761; Susanna, March 29, 1764, married to William Dutton, 1781; Sarah, June 27, 1766, married Reuben Wright, 1787; Thomas, Jan. 5, 1768, married Phebe Wright; Lucy, May 16, 1771; Anna, Dec. 5, 1773, married Daniel Smith, jun., of Exeter, N.H., in 1811. Susanna, his wife, died; and he married Widow Phebe Procter of Grafton, Jan. 20, 1784. Children, — Phebe, born Sept. 26, 1784; Charles, Dec. 11, 1785; Charlotte, Jan. 25, 1787, married David Nutting in 1808. Married, for third wife, Polly Spaulding, June 19, 1792. Children, — Roswell, born Sept. 19, 1793; Polly, April 10, 1795, married Samuel Spaulding, 1812; Alenath, Oct. 16, 1797, died Oct. 25, 1802; Lydia, May 13, 1798, married Joseph Wild of Brain, tree, 1814; Phicinda, Nov. 28, 1803: making seventeen children. Tradition says that Polly Spaulding was keeping house for Lieut. Thomas Read during his widowhood, after the death of his second wife, and that one of his sons became attached to her. Some time after she was married to his father, in the absence of the old man, she asked the son to crave a blessing at the dinner-table; which was done in the following words: "Once you was my love, and I loved you as my life; and, if my father had not been so spry, I should have made you my wife."

7. Thomas, son of Thomas and Susan of Westford, born Jan. 5, 1769; married Phebe Wright, Dec. 13, 1795. Chil-

dren, — Phebe, born May 9, 1795; Lucinda, June 9, 1797; Joseph, June 27, 1798; Phebe, Nov. 22, 1800; Thomas, Feb. 12, 1803; Joel, February, 1807; Stephen, May 19, 1811; Roxanna, July 12, 1815. He lived in Nellson, N.H.

8. Joseph, son of Thomas and Phebe, born Jan. 27, 1798; married Rebecca Lyon.

8. Thomas, son of Thomas and Phebe, born Feb. 12, 1803; married Mariam Clough of Candia, N.H., and kept a public-house at East Cambridge. Children, — Dexter, Porter, Theodore. He died in Cambridge, July 31, 1841.

8. Joel, son of Thomas and Phebe, born Feb. 7, 1807; married Lucinda Sargeant of Candia, N.H. Children, — George D., born May 20, 1837; Mary J., Aug. 25, 1840. He kept a public-house at East Cambridge; and died Dec. 22, 1840. His widow and children still remain there.

8. Stephen, son of Thomas and Phebe, born May 19, 1811; married Sarah Clark, April 5, 1840. Child, — Henry O., born March 25, 1845. He keeps the same public-house in East Cambridge that his brothers Thomas and Joel had kept, and is doing a flourishing business. He is a wealthy and prosperous man.

8. Silas, son of Samuel of Westford and Abigail, born at Westford, April 2, 1837; married Hannah Chamberlain, June 2, 1792. Children, — Betsy, born Aug. 2, 1773, died Sept. 8, 1777; Silas, Feb. 6, 1775; Hannah, June 25, 1777; Silas, July 12, 1778; Ephreim, June 3, 1780, died Nov. 20, 1781; Ephreim, April 30, 1782; Betsy, Jan. 21, 1784; Hannah, April 1, 1786; Abigail, Oct. 6, 1788; Samuel, Dec. 20, 1789; John C., April 7, 1792; Rebecca, June 3, 1794; Bridget, Jan. 1, 1796, died Nov. 4, 1798; Luther, Feb. 12, 1799; Bridget, April 30, 1801; Harriet: making sixteen children.

7. Rosewell, son of Thomas and Polly of Westford, born Sept. 19, 1773; married Sybel ——. Children, — Joanna,

born July 22, 1815; Harriet, Aug. 19, 1817, married Joseph Wright; Cynthia, Feb. 2, 1820; Merrick, Nov. 9, 1821; Abraham, Jan. 18, 1824; Elbridge, —— 27, 1826; Clarrissa, Aug. 13, 1828; Elmira, Dec. 25, 1830; Laura, April 24, 1833. He died in 1856.

8. Elbridge, son of Roswell, born at Westford, March 27, 1826; married Hannah F. Davis, May 6, 1853.

9. Luther, son of Silas and Hannah, born Feb. 12, 1799; married Ann Thaxter of Boston, April 6, 1828. Children, — Luther W., born Dec. 22, 1828, died Jan. 17, 1829 Nancy T., Dec. 16, 1829; Anna R., Feb. 21, 1831; Silas C. Sept. 7, 1834; Joseph W., Dec. 6, 1836, died Jan. 5, 1837 Luther F., Feb. 1, 1838; Catherine M., April 26, 1840.

4. Esdras, son of Thomas, and great-grandson of Esdras, married Sarah, and moved to Woburn; and, Sept. 8, 1719, sold his real estate in Chelmsford to George Byam. He was a tailor, as was his father Thomas, and great-grandfather Esdras; and it was a trade that was common among the first generations of Reads in this country. The Reads in and about Boston in Lincolnshire were among the first who went into the trade of cloth after the influx of the French Huguenots into England. One branch of the business was to make the cloth into wearing apparel, constituting what we call merchant tailors; and the first emigrants of Reeds to this country brought their tools with them for making clothing.

4. Jonathan, son of Thomas of Chelmsford, married Margaret. Children, — Hannah, born May 17, 1715; Betsy, Jan. 15, 1717.

4. William, son of Thomas of Chelmsford, and great-grandson of Esdras, married Hannah Bates. Children, — Robert, born Dec. 25, 1720; William, Feb. 25, 1724; Deborah, July 10, 1729; Louis, Feb. 3, 1734.

5. Robert, son of William and Hannah, Chelmsford, born

in Chelmsford, Dec. 25, 1720; married Hannah Abbot of Andover, and settled in Litchfield; afterwards went to Amherst. Children, — Sarah, born at Chelmsford, March 9, 1743; Bridget, June 11, 1745; Lemuel, who died aged twenty-one years; William, Aug. 14, 1754; Mary, married Benjamin Bradford; Olive, married Samuel Greeley; Robert. He was known as Col. Reed, and was for many years the jailer at Amherst. He died Sept. 11, 1803, aged eighty-three. He married Mrs. David Danforth for second wife.

6. William, son of Robert of Amherst, born Aug. 14, 1754; married Bridget Greeley. Child, — Robert, born Oct. 19, 1786. He died at Amherst, Sept. 10, 1834, aged eighty years. Married Abigail Howard for second wife, June 27, 1791; his first wife having died in 1788.

7. Robert, son of William of Amherst, born Oct. 19, 1786; married Rebecca French, Dec. 15, 1818. Children, — William, born Jan. 29, 1820; Abby Greeley, March 4, 1822; Mary French, March 30, 1824; Helen, April 2, 1830; Robert Leland, July 12, 1841. Married, for second wife, Jane M. Leland of Saco, Me. He was for several years Agent of the Land and Water Company at Manchester, N.H.; but died at Nashua, leaving a great estate; and was called one of the rich men of New Hampshire. The following biographical sketch of Mr. Read has been contributed by his son, Dr. William Read: —

Robert Read was born in Amherst, N.H., on what is now called the "Fletcher Farm," situated about three miles north of the village, on the banks of the Souhegan River, — a stream abounding in mill-sites, and which has contributed in no small degree to the prosperity of the region through which it flows. His grandfather, Robert Read, moved from Litchfield to Amherst at an early date; and, during the Revolutionary War, held a commission of lieutenant-colonel, with authority to raise a troop of horse. His father, William Read, was an active and influential citizen of the town; and for many years served as deputy-sheriff, in which capacity he acquired a wide-

spread reputation for his success in executing the duties of his office. It was the intention of his father that Robert should prepare himself, by a suitable course of education, for one of the learned professions; and, to this end, he was entered as a student at Exeter Academy, then under the charge of the famous Master Abbott. The bent of his mind, however, was to a more active life; and, leaving the academy, he was apprenticed to Daniel Hayden, a merchant in Chelmsford, Mass. Here he remained till his majority; when, returning to his native town, he associated himself with his father in business, under the firm of William Read and Son. The energy and tact of Mr. Read soon raised the firm to a commanding position, and, for many years, made their store the centre of trade for a large territory. Upon the dissolution of this firm, consequent upon the retirement of the senior partner, Mr. Read formed a new connection with Isaac Spalding; and continued the business at the old stand, with increasing success, till the growth of Nashua, and the development of the manufacturing facilities at that place, induced the latter to establish himself there, when the business was continued in the name of Mr. Read alone. It may be remarked here, that the business talent of Mr. Spalding soon placed him in a conspicuous and commanding position in his new location; and he now ranks among the wealthiest men of his State. Up to the period of which we are speaking, the prosperity of Amherst had been constantly increasing. The shire-town of Hillsborough County, — it was here that the courts were held, and the county business transacted. The great stage route from the north, through the centre of the State to the seaboard, which took this place on its way, also gave it an advantage over the less-favored towns on either side. But, as the manufacturing interest developed, other places, more favored by nature, began to dispute its supremacy: and with the rise of Nashua and Manchester on the south and east, and the increase of Milford on the west, came the decline of Amherst, and the withdrawal of almost the entire trade, except what was supplied by the wants of its own inhabitants; and of this, even, scarce a moiety remained. From a busy mart, its streets thronged with purchasers from all the towns around, it has changed to one of the quietest of country villages. Its echoes are seldom awakened by the bustle of traffic, and the dust lies undisturbed along its highways. The energy and activity which marked his character, joined to a most scrupulous regard for equity

and justice, which gained him the confidence of all who knew him, from an early period gained for Mr. Read the suffrages of his fellow-citizens for various offices of public trust. He held the responsible position of town-clerk for thirteen successive years, — from 1817 to 1828 inclusive. In 1826, he was elected representative to the State Legislature, where he served three terms; being re-elected in 1827 and 1828. In the latter year, he was appointed aide-de-camp by Gov. John Bell, with the rank of colonel. In military affairs he was also an active and influential participator. He served in every capacity, from private to commander, in the West Company of Infantry, — one of the most efficient companies of the State; and in 1814, at the time of the threatened invasion by the British, while lieutenant, accompanied it to Portsmouth as its commander, — his senior officer not being able to leave home. In 1835, Mr. Read removed to Nashua to assume the duties of Agent of the Nashua Manufacturing Company; a position he remained in two years. At the expiration of that time (1837) he was appointed general manager of the Land and Water-power Company, which had recently purchased extensive tracts of land at the Amoskeag Falls in Manchester, and from which the present city of that name dates its origin. In this capacity he continued fourteen years, till 1852; when he resigned, and took up his residence once more in Nashua, where he remained till his death. In 1851, he was elected a member of the Convention for the revision of the Constitution of the State, and represented Manchester in that capacity. Of his conduct while in office at Manchester, says the author of the History of that city, "he performed his duties faithfully to the company by which he was employed, as every one will testify who had business with him. Strictly a business-man, he mingled very little with other than business-men; and hence was very little identified with interests disconnected with the corporation: yet no measure connected with the progress of our city escaped his attention; and he most heartily co-incided in all that liberal course of policy, on the part of the treasurer and the directors, that has added so much of beauty and value to our city."

After his removal to Nashua, he was once elected a representative from that place to the State Legislature; was a member of the first Board of Aldermen elected under the city charter; and was President of the Nashua and Lowell Railroad Company until a few months before his death, when, warned by increasing infirmities of his approaching dissolution, he resigned.

8. William, son of Robert of Nashua, and Rebecca, born Jan. 29, 1820; graduated at Dartmouth College in 1839; M.D. Harvard University, 1842; married Sarah A. F. McLellan, June 22, 1843. Children, — William, born in Lynn, Oct. 4, 1844; Frederick French, born in Lynn, May 23, 1847; Robert McLellan, born in Boston, Sept. 6, 1848; Charles French, born in Boston, Sept. 17, 1853. He is a celebrated physician, and practises his profession in Boston. He lives at No. 713, Washington Street.

8. Abby Greeley, daughter of Robert of Nashua, and Rebecca, born March 4, 1822; married to Rev. Jonas B. Clark of Swampscott, Jan. 11, 1843. Children, — Helen Rebecca, born East Windsor, Ct., May 9, 1844, died in Boston, Oct. 11, 1848; Henry Fields, born in Swampscott, Nov. 28, 1846, died in Manchester, N.H., Oct. 18, 1848; Arthur French, born in Swampscott, Aug. 4, 1849; Helen Grafton, born in Swampscott, July 8, 1851; Grace Blanchard, born in Swampscott, July 14, 1853. Mr. Clark is grandson and namesake of Rev. Jonas Clarke, who was pastor of the church in Lexington at the time of Lexington Fight; the intimate friend of John and Samuel Adams; and brother-in-law of John Hancock. The venerable pastor, on the night previous to the fight, sheltered his three mysterious friends from the chilling damp of night; and, when his house was no longer a safe retreat, they were conveyed to the house of the minister of Woburn Precinct. From thence, a house in the wood near the line of Billerica was their safe retreat. Their heads being considered of greater value to the British than such heads as grew on the shoulders of some other men, a large reward was offered for them. The house in Woburn Precinct, now Burlington, where one part of this affair took place, is now occupied by the venerable Rev. Samuel Sewell, a celebrated genealogist and antiquarian, and a descendant of the celebrated Samuel Sewell of olden

time. The Rev. Samuel Sewell married the daughter of the Rev. Mr. Merritt, who was a young man settled over the church in Woburn Precinct, a few months before the battle of Lexington; and was at that time boarding with Mrs. Jones, the widow of the former pastor. He afterwards married Mrs. Jones's daughter. It was Mr. Merritt who piloted the three guests to their hiding-place in the woods. The house has been in the family a hundred and six years, and the occupants have been the three successive pastors of the parish during that period. It is truly venerable in appearance as well as age, and is much enhanced in its attractions by the large and overtopping shade-trees, and interesting reminiscences which the venerable pastor and happy family attach to the buildings and trees and other objects connected with the place. If I were to give a young clergyman, about to settle in life, my advice, one portion of it would be to make it in his way to visit this spot, and see illustrated by every thing about him the peaceful and happy effect of piety and refinement, accompanied with true politeness and hospitality. The influence of such a family in a parish must be truly valuable. The house of the Rev. Mr. Clarke is still standing, about one-fourth of a mile north of the monument in Lexington. It is somewhat dilapidated, but still shows that it is, or has been, the dwelling of no ordinary personage. The front-yard is somewhat overgrown with ancient lilacs. It has been occupied, since the decease of Mr. Clarke, by his daughters.

8. Helen, daughter of Robert and Rebecca, born in Amherst, April 20, 1830; married Charles A. Greeley of Nashua, Nov. 21, 1855. Child, — George Thornton, born Aug. 23, 1856. Lives in Nashua, Chickasaw County, Io.

6. Olive, married Samuel Greele, son of Samuel of Nottingham, now Hudson, N.H.; and had issue, — Nancy Hol-

land, born 1780 (married Dr. Oliver Scripture of Hollis, N.H.); Samuel, born July 2, 1783 (A.B. Harvard, 1802; married, first, Lydia M. Sewall of Marblehead, Mass., daughter of Chief-Justice Sewall, by whom he had a son, who died soon after birth; second, Louisa May, daughter of Col. Joseph May of Boston, by whom he had Samuel Sewall and Louisa May, both born in Boston; third, Maria Antoinette Paine, daughter of Robert Treat Paine, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, — no issue; fourth, Sarah Follansbee Emerson of Newburyport, by whom he has no issue); Augustus, born December, 1787 (A.B. Dartmouth, 1813; married Caroline Lovett of New York, where he died 1843; no issue); William, born 17— (now residing in Pennsylvania; married, first, —— Felt; second, —— ——; by both of whom he has issue); Abigail, born 17— (married Daniel Elliott of Keene, N.H.; A.B. Dartmouth, 1813; and has issue); Lucy (married Augustus F. Smith, Esq., of New-York City, attorney and counsellor at law, and has numerous issue); Augustus Greele (A.B. Yale, 1839; M.D. New York, 184–; married Elizabeth Pierce; has four children); Henry Bond, A.B. Yale, now settled in the ministry at Columbus, O. (married Martha, daughter of Rev. Dr. Skinner of New-York City, and has issue); Caroline (married —— Cornell, son of Hon. Robert Cornell, late of New-York City, deceased, and has three children); Robert, born 17—, now residing in New-York City (married Harriet ——, widow of —— Fleming, and has issue).

6. Thomas, son of Benjamin and Sarah, born March 14, 1766; married Molly Spaulding, 1792.

5. Benjamin, son of Thomas of Chelmsford, and Sarah, born at Westford, Sept. 3, 1732; married Abigail Fasset, Jan. 2, 1755. Children, — Sybel, Feb. 24, 1755; Abel, March 2, 1757; Abigail, Oct. 15, 1759; Rebecca, Sept. 3, 1761, married Isaac Procter in 1783; Thomas, March 14,

1766, married Sally Spaulding in 1792; Benjamin, June 8, 1768. He died April 22, 1778: his wife died May 10, 1787.

6. Abel, son of Benjamin and Abigail, born March 22, 1757; married Rebecca Farrer, Nov. 24, 1778. Children, — Peter, born Oct. 15, 1788, died April 4, 1853; Benjamin, born Jan. 19, 1779; Olive, June 30, 1781; Abel, Nov. 1, 1782; Timothy, Sept. 1, 1785, died July 11, 1830; Rebecca, born Aug. 30, 1786.

5. William, son of William and Hannah of Chelmsford, born at Chelmsford, Feb. 25, 1724; married Lucy Spaulding of Merrimac, N.H. Children, — Zadoc; William; Henry; Hannah, married Samuel Center of Windham, N.H.; Lucy, married Jonathan Lyon of Pelham, N.H., and had Read Lyon; and Sally, who married Roger Coburn of Pelham: the three daughters lived to be about ninety years each before their death. Mr. Reed settled, when young, in Litchfield, N.H., on what was at that time the frontier, and nigh to the northern border of ancient Dunstable. He was a noted bear-hunter, and was killed at the raising of a building. He had just received a colonel's commission at the time of his decease. Reed's Ferry, at Litchfield, took its name from him.

6. Zadoc, son of Col. William of Litchfield, N.H., married Lucy McLean of New Boston. Children, — Francis and Dudley. He settled in Antrim.

6. William, son of Col. William of Litchfield, married Lydia B. Nourse of Londonderry. Children, — Patty, William, Robert, Francis, David, Louisa, Henry, Lydia. Married Mary Aikin for second wife. Child, — Phineas. He was deacon of the church in Litchfield.

7. William, son of William of Litchfield and grandson of Col. William, married Judith Little. Children, — Lissie S., Mary H., John S., and Lydia. He lives upon the old place

owned and occupied by the family from its first settlement to the present.

7. Robert, son of William of Litchfield, and Lydia, born —— ; married Mary Moody of Newburyport in 1820. Children, — William W.; Enoch M., who keeps in Newburyport; Mary H.; Robert; and John. He has been a captain of militia, and is now a trader in Lowell (see letter to Dr. Read).

7. Francis, son of William and Lydia, has five children, as follows, — Samantha, Caroline, Louisa, Louvisa, and George W.

7. Phineas, son of William and Lydia. Children, — Mary J., William T., Walter H., George M., Rachal, Nella M., and Phineas.

7. Louisa, daughter of William and Lydia of Litchfield, N.H., married Jesse Little of Atkinson, N.H.; and his sister married her brother William of Litchfield. Children, — Lydia, born April 27, 1820; William Reed, Nov. 4, 1823; Albert, Feb. 13, 1835.

6. Henry, son of Col. William of Litchfield, married Anna McMurphey of Londonderry, and went to Canada. Children, — Harry, Phillip, John, Leonard, James, Zadock.

8. Lydia, daughter of Louisa and Jesse, born April 4, 1820; married Thomas L. Page. Children, — Harriet, who died young; William W., 1846; Jesse T., 1850, died young; Louisa, died young.

8. William R., son of Louisa and Jesse Little, born Nov. 4, 1823; married Elizabeth A., daughter of Capt. Stephen Little of Groveland, Mass. Children, — Mary; Albina. She died in 1853.

6. Joseph, son of Joseph and Ruth, born Oct. 9, 1746; married Martha Fletcher, Nov. 11, 1771. Children, — Ruth, born Dec. 22, 1771, married Susan Heald in 1813; Patty, April 4, 1773.

6. Leonard, son of Joseph and Ruth, born April 23, 1750; married Bethiah. Children, — Bethiah, born June 4, 1770; Lois, Dec. 26, 1771; Ruth, Nov. 12, 1774; Joel.

7. Joel, son of Leonard, married Joanna Chandler, Jan. 7, 1810. Children, — William, born Dec. 17, 1810; Joseph, Dec. 29, 1811; Charles G., Nov. 7, 1813; Edwin R., July 2, 1815; Joanna, April 5, 1817; Bethiah, Dec. 20, 1818; Leonard, March 12, 1821; Nancy, Aug. 30, 1822; Sarah R., May 21, 1824.

8. Leonard, son of Joel and Joanna of Westford, born March 12, 1821; married Leonora Tarr of Rockport, Oct. 7, 1844. Children, — Emma; Georgianna. Lives in Charlestown.

5. William, son of John and Jane of Chelmsford, born at Chelmsford, April 2, 1715; married Thankful Spaulding of Westford, Dec. 29, 1741, and settled in Westford. Children, — Thadeus, born May 15, 1742; William, July 9, 1753; Oliver, who died June 20, 1791.

6. William, son of William and Thankful, born July 9, 1753; married Lydia Stratton in 1785. Child, — William, who married Lucinda Patch, Jan. 12, 1817.

5. Thomas, son of John and Jane, born at Chelmsford, Oct. 25, 1713; married Olive. Children, — Sarah, born at Westford, April 25, 1747; Jacob, March 18, 1748; Catherine, Oct. 13, 1750, married a Fosset, and died April 19, 1805; Thomas, born Aug. 28, 1752; Hannah, May 4, 1754; Rachal, Aug. 20, 1756; Martha, March 18, 1758; Levi, Feb. 15, 1760; Howard, Feb. 26, 1762.

5. Eleazer, son of Thomas and Sarah of Westford, born Feb. 22, 1731; married Joanna Fitch, March 22, 1754. Children, — Joanna, born Oct. 3, 1754; Samuel, March 7, 1756; Eleazer, March 1, 1760; Eliakim, Aug. 1, 1762; Catherine, Feb. 14, 1764, married Samuel Reed of Littleton in 1785; Elihu, April 2, 1766, was in the Revolution;

Lydia, June 7, 1768, married Jacob Kendall, 1788; Rhoda, 1770, married George Frederick, 1788; Mirriam, March 27, 1772, married Samuel Coburn of Dracut, 1794; Sarah, March 17, 1776; Aaron, Nov. 27, 1778.

6. Samuel, son of Eleazer and Elizabeth, born March 7, 1756, and setted in Tyngsborough. Children, — Thomas, born Oct. 11, 1778; Jesse, Dec. 20, 1779; Lucy, April 19, 1781.

7. Thomas, son of Samuel and Elizabeth, born Oct. 11, 1778; married Rebecca Cummings, both of Westford, Dec. 8, 1803.

6. Eleazer, son of Eleazer and Joanna, born March 1, 1760; married Elizabeth Fletcher in 1786. Children, — Eleazer and Joshua (twins), born Dec. 26, 1786; Jepthah, 1790, died March 30, 1855.

7. Eleazer, son of Eleazer and Elizabeth of Westford, and twin-brother of Joshua, born Dec. 26, 1786; married Mary Putnam of Fitchburg, Aug. 13, 1814.

6. Levi, son of Thomas and Olive, born Feb. 15, 1760; married Maria. Child, — Georgianna, born November, 1855.

5. Benjamin, son of Thomas and Sarah of Westford, born Sept. 3, 1732; married Abigail Fasset, Jan. 2, 1755. Children, — Sybel, born Feb. 24, 1755; Abel, March 22, 1757; Abigail, Oct. 15, 1759; Rebecca, Sept. 3, 1761, married Isaac Procter in 1783; Thomas, March 14, 1766, married Molly Spaulding, 1792; Benjamin, June 8, 1768. He was in battle, and standing by the side of Capt. Davis of Revolutionary memory, when the latter fell. He died April 22, 1778: his wife died May 10, 1787.

Thomas, son of Benjamin, served in the Revolutionary War; and finally settled in Londonderry, Vt., where he brought up a large family.

6. William, son of William and Thankful, born at West-

ford, July 9, 1753; married Lydia Straton in 1785. Child, — William, who married Lucinda Patch in 1817.

6. Oliver, son of William and Thankful, married Abigail. Children, — Oliver, born July 25, 1779; Abigail, Nov. 25, 1780; Patty, Oct. 22, 1782; Lucy, Sept. 2, 1785, married Joel Hunter; Richard, April 22, 1789, died April 29, 1790. He died June 20, 1791.

6. Eliakim, son of Eleazer and Joanna, born Aug. 1, 1762; married in Chelmsford to Sarah Mansfield, Nov. 28, 1784.

7. Joshua, son of Eleazer and Elizabeth, and twin-brother of Eleazer, born at Westford, Dec. 26, 1786; married Charlotte, daughter of Lieut. Thomas, May 15, 1816. Child, — Charlotte, born Nov. 23, 1816.

6. Abel, son of Benjamin and Abigail, born March 22, 1757; married Farrer, Nov. 24, 1778. Children, — Peter, born Oct. 15, 1788, died April 4, 1853; Benjamin, born Jan. 19, 1799; Olive, June 30, 1781; Abel, Nov. 1, 1782; Timothy, Sept. 18, 1785; Rebecca, Aug. 30, 1786.

7. Timothy, son of Abel and Rebecca, born Sept. 18, 1785; married Mary Procter, Dec. 6, 1825. Children, — Timothy, born June 6, 1826; Mary Ann, Dec. 22, 1827. He had probably married Sarah Pierce, daughter of Jonas Pierce, May 16, 1815, and had Sarah E., in Chelmsford, Sept. 15, 1815; Mary Ann, Aug. 10, 1817. He died July 11, 1830. His wife married Mr. Tibbets, and died May 5, 1832.

6. Benjamin, son of Benjamin and Abigail of Westford, born June 8, 1768; married Jerusha. He settled in Weathersfield, Vt., about the year 1790. Children, — Jerusha, Nov. 10, 1793; Abigail, Dec. 4, 1795; Orpha, Jan. 25, 1798; Timothy, Dec. 5, 1800; Lydia, Sept. 4, 1804; Benjamin, Sept. 7, 1806; Ezra, Sept. 11, 1808; Franklin, Feb. 16, 1811; Charles, Sept. 11, 1812; Emerson, Feb. 23, 1811. He died at the age of eighty-two years.

7. Benjamin, son of Benjamin and Jerusha, born Sept. 7, 1806 ; married Arathusa. Children, — Lorette Ellen, May 23, 1839 ; Loren Benjamin, July 1, 1841 ; Adeline Jerusha, Dec. 3, 1845 ; Leslie Orwin, June 7, 1848. He lives in Waitsfield, Vt. ; is a prominent man, and has been for some years a member of the Legislature.

6. Thomas, the son of Benjamin of Chelmsford, born March 14, 1766 ; married Elizabeth Diggins, and settled in Londonderry, Vt., Their children were — Elizabeth ; Lucy ; Laura ; Sophia ; Louisa ; Rebecca ; Mindol ; Almira ; Theodotia ; Thomas ; Cyrus ; Martin P., born in Weathersfield, Vt., April 20, 1796. Married Nabby Baldwin, May 6, 1799. Children, — Lucy H., born in Londonderry, Vt., Sept. 13, 1817 ; Benjamin B., Dec. 3, 1819 ; Emeline, born in Worcester, Vt., Dec. 6, 1822 ; Charles, Jan. 11, 1827, died Aug. 13, 1833 ; Elizabeth, born April 21, 1829 ; James, Aug. 23, 1831, died June 3, 1844 ; Semantha K., born April 1, 1834, died March 19, 1838 ; Henryette S., born Oct. 11, 1838 ; Semantha Jane, July 17, 1843. He lives in Worcester, and is a justice of the peace for the county in which he lives.

6. Elihu, son of Eleazer and Joanna, born April 22, 1766 ; married Lucy Reinsford in Boston, July 23, 1792. Children, — William, born in Boston, Dec. 12, 1792 ; Thomas ; Josiah ; George W. ; Mary, who married James Bates. He was a soldier of the Revolution, and drew a pension.

7. William, son of Elihu, born Dec. 12, 1792 ; married Hannah Cash of Marblehead, Aug. 26, 1819. Children, — William G., born Nov. 27, 1820, died Feb. 9, 1821 ; William G., born in Boston, June 13, 1823 ; Charles H., Sept. 23, 1826, died May 19, 1828 ; Charles H., born Dec. 25, 1831 ; Lucy Ann, July 1, 1833 ; Emeline R., born in Chelsea, Oct. 2, 1837. He died in 1850 ; and his widow lives at No. 66, Shurtleff Street, Chelsea.

8. William G., son of William and Hannah, born June 13, 1823; married Eliza C. Bagnall. Children, — Thomas B., born in Chelsea, July 8, 1848; Anna D., Oct. 10, 1853; Mary A., Aug. 17, 1855. He keeps in Broadway, Chelsea.

8. Lucy, daughter of William and Hannah, born July 1, 1833; married Thomas H. Mayo, June 8, 1854. Child, — William R., born in Chelsea, Feb. 6, 1857. They live in Chelsea.

7. Thomas, son of Elihu, married Sarah Jones of Boston. Children, — Thomas J.; Eliza.

7. Josiah, son of Elihu, married Lucinda. Children, — Henry R., born at Chelmsford, Aug. 23, 1837, and keeps with Gilbert and Sons in Boston; Andrew F.; Lucy; Helen. He lives at New Ipswich.

7. George, son of Elihu, lives at Fall River, No. 33, Pine Street; married Eveline E. Leonard of Taunton. Children, — George Hodges, born Jan. 3, 1836; Emeline F., Sept. 25, 1839; Charles H., Dec. 26, 1849; Walter H., died young.

Supply Read of Chelmsford was a soldier of the Revolution; married Susanna Byam, June 7, 1781, and moved to Acworth, N.H., where he lived to be ninety-two years of age. Children, — John, who became a Mormon preacher, and died at Salt Lake; Tileson, who went West; Susan, married Silas Rice, and went to Missouri; one daughter married a Benjamin, and went West; Supply; Patty, who married Asa Shed of Stodard; Sally, died young; Lucinda, married a Corey; Mahalu, married David Currier, and lives in Unity, N.H.; Parker, who went to Missouri.

Supply, son of Supply and Susanna, born June 2, 1791; married Mercy Streeter, Nov. 20, 1817. She died March 27, 1831: he died in Lowell, June 12, 1854. Children, — Sylvester, born July 20, 1818, now living in Acworth; Theron A., Nov. 27, 1819; Leusy I., born in Northfield, Vt., May 24, 1822; Mary M., March 2, 1825, died Aug. 30,

1826; Maria F., born Oct. 4, 1827; Mary Ann, Feb. 6, 1829. Married, for second wife, Catherine Moors of Stodard, N.H., Oct. 27, 1831. Children, — Supply, born July 17, 1832, died in Lowell, Sept. 6, 1853; Willard B., born in Acworth, June 8, 1834; Israel, Oct. 16, 1836, lives in Lowell; George W., Dec. 24, 1838; Gracy T. H., Nov. 27, 1840; Ann J., Dec. 3, 1845.

Willard B., son of Supply and Catherine, born in Acworth, N.H., June 8, 1834; married to S. J. Smith. Child, — Willard A.

Tileston, son of Supply of Acworth, had one son, Timothy S., now living in Fitzwilliam, N.H.; married Sarah. Child, — Sumner I., born Aug. 14, 1841.

John Reed of Chelmsford, brother of Supply, settled in Acworth, N.H. Children, — Lucy, Amos, and Holden.

David of Chelmsford, brother of Supply. Child, — John.

William, son of Samuel and Abigail of Westford, born Sept. 24, 1739; settled in Hollis, N.H.; was a captain in the Revolutionary War. Children, — Uriah, Samuel, William, James Gilman, Patty.

William, son of Capt. William, was also a captain; and had William, who married Lydia Gilson of Nashua, May 8, 1816.

James G., son of Capt. William of Hollis, married a Wright. Children, — James G., Asa, John L., Luther W., Lucinda, Julia, Abigail.

James, son of James G., married Sophia Wood. Child, — James G.

James G., son of James, married Hannah Pushly. Children, — Aletha; Gillman. He lives in Newburyport.

William, son of John and Jane, or of Thomas, born at Chelmsford; married Molly Conn of Shirley, Mass., and was the first settler in the town of Chesterfield, Mass. Children, — William, John, Ephraim, Joseph, George, James, Thomas, Henry, Polly, Betsy.

William, son of William and Molly, married Anabasaba Smith of Shirley, and lived in Chesterfield. Children, — William, who now lives in Groton; Thomas; Boz; Willard; Sampson; Nancy, married Reuben Willard of Swanton, Vt.; Orpha A.; Anabasaba, married Mr. Chase; Betsy. He was drowned in Chesterfield.

William, son of William and Anabasaba, married ——. Child, — Dolly, who married a Chambers, and went West.

Betsy, daughter of William and Anabasaba, married Abiather Wetherbee, and lives in Chesterfield. Child, — Herbert R., born in 1844.

Joseph, George, and James, sons of William and Molly, all settled in Chester, Vt. Thomas went to Ohio; Ephraim went to Newport; William and Henry lived and died in Chesterfield; George died at Crown Point.

Anabasaba, daughter of William and Anabasaba of Chesterfield, married Mr. Chase. Child, — Charles, who is living in Westmoreland.

Sampson, son of William and Anabasaba, distinguished himself in putting down Shay's Rebellion in 1785. He was living in Tremont Street, Boston, in 1789. Married in Boston to Ann Sargeant, March 28, 1773. Child, — Sampson.

Sampson, son of Sampson and Ann, married in Boston, to Hannah Fiske, Feb. 28, 1799.

James, son of William and Molly of Chesterfield, born in 1760; settled in Chester, Vt.; married Lydia Powers. Children, — Lydia, who married Mr. Balch of Chester; Phila, who married John Thompson of Chester; Patty, married Mr. Haughton of Cavendish; Richard; Jonas; John, who was in the battle of Plattsburg, and died there. He died in 1835.

Richard, son of James and Lydia, married Irene Deane of Hartland, Vt. Children, — Alfred, who married Hannah

Benjamin; Edward, married Matilda Pedder of Montreal; James; Helen; Sarah, who married C. M. Dorsey of Benson, Vt.

Jonas, son of James and Lydia, married Widow Jennings of New Haven, Vt. Children, — A. A. Reed, E. W. Reed, F. L. Reed. His wife had been the wife of Samson Reed, deceased, of Ludlow, Vt., and afterwards the wife of a Mr. Jennings; and Jonas Reed appears to be her third husband.

A. A., son of Jonas, married S. S. Baldwin of Bristol, Vt., Feb. 22, 1855.

E. R., son of Jonas, married Miss Pippin of Phillipston, Mass.

6. Benjamin, son of Jacob and Lucy, born in Chelmsford, Mass., Feb. 22, 1752; married Miss Powers. Children, — Benjamin, born at Chelmsford, Mass., Feb. 11, 1776, and moved to Cherry Valley, N.Y., in 1814; Polly, Aug. 3, 1777; Jacob, Sept. 24, 1779, went to Maine; Webber, born in Princeton, Sept. 19, 1781; Elisha, Oct. 18, 1783; Bridget, April 9, 1786; Lucy, Feb. 28, 1788; Peter, Feb. 29, 1790, went to Munroe, Mich.; Joseph, Feb. 11, 1794, served in the war of 1812, and fell in battle at the Stone Mill; Samuel, May 27, 1796; Nancy, Jan. 15, 1798; Thomas, May 15, 1800. He moved to Princeton about the year 1780; and in 1808, he, with two of his sons (Webber and Thomas), moved to Durham, U.C. He died in Wirkham, U.C., Oct. 19, 1810: his wife died at Durham, Dec. 27, 1852. He was a soldier of the Revolution.

7. Samuel, son of Benjamin, born at Princeton, May 27, 1796; married Nancy Swett of Bath, N.H., October, 1820. Children, — Abiel S., born at Rygate, Vt., Aug. 31, 1821; Mary E., Sept. 11, 1823; David S., born in Barnett, Vt., Nov. 22, 1825; Moses, born in Durham, U.C., Jan. 11, 1827, died Feb. 12, 1828; Sarah A., born March 27, 1831; Elizabeth M., July 18, 1833; Samuel A., May 19, 1835;

Nancy, born in Westfield, Vt., May 15, 1837, died Jan. 20, 1841. His wife died April 9, 1844. Married Jane Thurstain of Bath, N.H., November, 1845. Children, — Andrew A., born in Lisbon, N.H., March 1, 1848; Webber H., Aug. 16, 1849; Mary Ann, March 14, 1851; Florence M., Jan. 23, 1853.

8. Abiel S., son of Samuel, born at Rygate, Aug. 31, 1821; married at Bath, Feb. 21, 1847. Children, — Thiah, born Feb. 28, 1850, died Aug. 5, 1854; James B., born March 17, 1857. He moved to Peacham, Vt., Aug. 29, 1858.

8. Daniel S., son of Samuel and Nancy, born at Barnett, Nov. 22, 1825; married Molly Moulton, March, 1849; and lives in Bath.

7. Elisha, son of Benjamin of Chelmsford, born October, 1783; moved to Springfield, Mass.

Benjamin, supposed to be a descendant of Esdras, born May 3, 1752; married Huldah Pratt. Children, — Benjamin, born Aug. 4, 1779; John, Jan. 21, 1781; Huldah, Aug. 21, 1763, died Dec. 13, 1818; Cyrus, born Oct. 24, 1786, died Oct. 14, 1804; David, born Nov. 19, 1788; Calvin, Dec. 2, 1793; Luther, April 16, 1796; Nancy, Aug. 2, 1798; Almira, September, 1801. He was in the battle of Bennington, and drew a pension. Died March 9, 1801: his wife died, and he married Betsy Reed, Aug. 22, 1791. The four youngest children were by the second wife.

David, son of Benjamin and Huldah, born Nov. 19, 1788; married Mary Martha Morse, July 28, 1789. Children, — Reinsford, born Dec. 29, 1810, died July 4, 1818; Charles E., born Jan. 3, 1813, lives in Boston; Henrietta Morse, Aug. 29, 1815, died Feb. 12, 1837; William N., born Sept. 7, 1817; Martha Ann, Aug. 26, 1820, married Matthew McLoud, Aug. 10, 1844; Lucius E., born April 20, 1825. His wife died April 24, 1826. Married, for second wife, Lucy Keyes, who was the daughter of Jonas Keyes and Bridget Reed, and

grand-daughter of Samuel Reed of Westford, Mass., Nov. 23, 1826. Children, — Lucy P., born Oct. 25, 1827; Juliett Emily, July 29, 1831; David H., Sept. 7, 1833. He died July 13, 1842. His widow lives in Roxbury.

David H., son of David and Lucy, born at Dummerston, Vt., Sept. 7, 1833; married Fausta McElroy of Roxbury, June 25, 1851, and keeps at No. 121, Washington Street, Roxbury. Child, — Henry Eliott, born May 13, 1854; died Oct. 1, 1854. His wife died July 4, 1855. Married Caroline A. Fernald of Boston, June 2, 1858.

William N., son of David and Mary, born Sept. 7, 1817; married Lucy Stevens, Sept. 4, 1839. Children, — Henrietta Maria, born at Roxbury, Dec. 30, 1841; Melissa Almira, Sept. 24, 1843; Adeline Louisa and Adelaide Lucy, born at Bedford, July 30, 1845; William N., at Roxbury, Jan. 31, 1843; Albert Henry, Jan. 9, 1851; George Augustus, Sept. 10, 1853, at Boston. He died in Stoughton, March 13, 1855.

Martha Ann, daughter of David, born Aug. 26, 1820; married Mathew McLoud, Aug. 10, 1844. Children, — Robert Morse, born Oct. 12, 1845; Harriet Dexter, Feb. 26, 1848; Ellen Frances, May 1, 1850, died Nov. 14, 1855. He died May 24, 1853; and she lives in Girard, Penn.

CHAPTER VI.

JOHN READ OF REHOBOTH, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

1. JOHN READ of Rehoboth came to America with the great fleet in 1630. He is supposed to be son of William by his wife Lucy Henage; and was brother to William of Weymouth. He was born in 1598. The first that is known of him, after his arrival, was in Weymouth, in 1637. He was of Dorchester in 1638, and went from there to Braintree (now Quincy). In 1643 or '4, he went with Rev. Mr. Newman and his church to Rehoboth. His name is the third on the list of purchasers of that township. He was a man of large property for those times, and held the office of constable, which was the chief executive office in town. He lived at what was called the Rim, which is now in Seekonk. Ancient Rehoboth was divided into seven towns; viz., Rehoboth, Attleborough, Seekonk, Pawtucket, Swansey, Barrington, and Cumberland. Many of his descendants are still living within the bounds of ancient Rehoboth. He kept a public-house, and was a prominent and leading man. There is a record that Richard Ponton was "put" to John Read in 1644. Mrs. Read's Christian name was Sarah. He died Sept. 7, 1685, aged eighty-seven; and his gravestone is standing in Seekonk old burying-yard, inscribed "J. R., æt. 87. D. S. 1685." Their children were — Samuel; William; Abigail, who was baptized in Dorchester the 30th

of tenth month, 1638; John, born at Braintree, Aug. 29, 1640; Thomas, Nov. 9, 1641; Ezekiel and Zachariah (twins), who died in infancy; Moses, born October, 1650; Mary, January, 1652; Elizabeth, January, 1654; Daniel, March, 1655; Israel, 1657; Mehitable, August, 1660.

2. William, the oldest son of John, married Ruth Crooke, Jan. 20, 1653. He was a tailor, and lived at one time in Weymouth, and at one time in Muddy River, now Brookline, but principally in Boston; and was a man of some distinction, but had some trouble with his wife, growing out of her incontinency. It appears that, at one time, she was absent in Europe for a considerable time; and, on her return, brought with her an infant child, pretending that it was one which she had adopted: but it was proved to be hers; and she was sentenced by the court to stand in some conspicuous place for a certain length of time, to wear a badge significant of the crime, and to be gazed upon by the populace. Children, — William, born Feb. 3, 1654, died Dec. 3, 1654; Isaac, born April 18, 1656; Ephraim, Nov. 23, 1657; Jonathan, April 23, 1659, died July 2, 1659; Timothy, born Aug. 11, 1660; William, May 7, 1662; Ruth, who died July 17, 1662; Hesekiah, born July 6, 1663; Sarah, June 26, 1665; Elizabeth, Dec. 22, 1666; Elizabeth, April 22, 1669, married Samuel Durham.

3. Isaac, son of William and Ruth, born April 18, 1656. He appears to have been living, and taxed for real estate, in 1714. His will is dated Jan. 26, 1712. Child, — Isaac, born at Salem, and married Rebecca Burton, Feb. 24, 1736. Children, — Isaac, James, Daniel, Jacob, Abijah, William. Isaac the 2d died in the French War.

5. Abijah, son of Isaac, married Margaret. His will was proved Nov. 12, 1795.

4. Jacob, son of Isaac, married a Wellman, and left no issue. He was in the Revolutionary War; was wounded,

and among the list of invalid pensioners. He lived in Flint Street, Salem. He adopted one Luther Brithen, who now lives in Reading, and married a Sweetser.

4. Isaac, son of Isaac and Rebecca. Children, — Joseph, Mary, William, Elizabeth, Haffield, John.

5. Joseph, son of Isaac, had a Joseph.

Haffield, son of Isaac, married Sarah Patten, formerly Sarah Silsbee, Jan. 28, 1808. He was a sea-captain. His widow lives at No. 1, Daniel Street, Salem.

6. Joseph, son of Joseph, married Mrs. Meservey, formerly Elizabeth Woodbury. Children, — Mary A., born Feb. 20, 1811; Martha Woodbury, Oct. 20, 1812; Joseph W., Feb. 28, 1816; Matthew Woodbury, May 2, 1818; Sally Webster, July 29, 1821; Tobias Davis, March 16, 1825. Joseph, jun., died in Danvers, Dec. 7, 1825.

7. Martha W., daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth, born Oct. 20, 1812; married to Joseph Hale of Boxford. Children, — Joseph, Josiah, Martha, Augusta, Henry Otis, Mary Ann, Margaret, Sarah Elizabeth, Hatty Florence, Hannah.

7. Matthew W., son of Joseph and Elizabeth, born May 2, 1816; married Hannah Miller. Children, — George, Mary, Willer. They live in South Bridgeton, Me.

7. Sarah, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth, born July 29, 1821; married J. G. Scolley. Children, — Alla L., Grace Greenwood, Lucy E. They live in Lynn.

7. Tobias, son of Joseph and Elizabeth, born March 16, 1825; married Mary Ann Townsend. Children, — Ellen Allis, Caroline, Sarah Ann. They live in Boxford.

4. William, son of Isaac and Rebecca Burton, married Mrs. Manning, formerly Elizabeth Stone. Children, — Elizabeth, who married Thomas Fuller of Salem; Mary, married James Simonds; Sarah, married Joseph Poor; Rebecca and John, died unmarried; William went to Illinois.

The elder William was wounded in the Revolutionary War, and drew a pension.

4. James, the son of Isaac and Rebecca, married Amy Clark of Wells, Me. Children, — Benjamin C., born July 24, 1775; Abijah; James; John, born in 1791; Isaac, in 1786; Nathaniel, in 1792. The elder James lived in South Danvers, near where the Hotel now stands. He was in Lexington Fight and the Revolutionary War; and, at one time, did service on board of a privateer.

5. Isaac, the son of James and Amy, was in the war of 1812. He went to Plattsburg too late to be in the battle. He married Mary Blanchard of Millbury, Mass., Jan. 20, 1815. He worked in Boston when young, but finally settled in Randolph, Vt., where he died in 1858. He married Mirriam Edson for second wife, May 29, 1844. His children are — Adaline B., born Nov. 10, 1816; Mary, March 28, 1822, died April 9, 1855; Samuel Tenney, born July 1, 1825.

6. Adaline, the daughter of Isaac and Mary, born Nov. 10, 1816; married to Rev. Azariah Hyde, Dec. 9, 1838. Children, — Charles, born Aug. 18, 1839; William, July, 1847; George, September, 1852. She died Oct. 9, 1854.

5. James, the son of James and Amy, married Sally Rowell, Sept. 23, 1804. Children, — Mary, born Aug. 31, 1805; Sarah, May 4, 1808. He died in St. Petersburg, Russia.

6. Mary, the daughter of James and Sally, married Micah Eaton, and lives in Reading.

6. Sally, the daughter of James and Sally, married to Timothy Dame of Reading. Children, — William, Augustus, Dexter, Sarah, Francis, Mary, Herbert.

5. John, the son of James and Amy, married Sally, the widow of his brother James, Aug. 14, 1817. Children, — Judith and Betsy, born May 3, 1812; James; and John.

6. James, the son of John and Sally, married Elizabeth

Norwood. Children, — Sarah Augusta, Lorena Sophia, Judith, Helen, George, James. James the elder died at Lynnfield in 1850.

6. John, the son of John and Sally, married Barbara Thompson, Feb. 16, 1846. Children, — Charles; John. They keep a public-house in Salem.

6. Judith, the daughter of James and Sally, married Paul Buxton in October, 1831.

6. Betsy, the daughter of John and Sally, married George Flint of Reading. Children, — George Harris, Mary Ann, Judith, Lucilla, Sarah, Clementine, Francis. They live in Reading.

4. Daniel, son of Isaac and Rebecca, married Lydia Cook, Nov. 19, 1765. Children, — Lydia, born April 12, 1766; Dorothy, Nov. 24, 1767; Daniel, Feb. 3, 1769; Stephen, Dec. 15, 1770; Henry, Jan. 21, 1772, died June 21, 1773; Henry, born Feb. 14, 1774; William, Nov. 3, 1775; Betsy, March 15, 1778; Rebecca, May 4, 1783; Nabby, Jan. 10, 1785; Polly, April 10, 1788, married Jeremiah Nichols of Reading. Married, for second wife, Elizabeth Hodgkins, Nov. 10, 1797; and died Aug. 22, 1819.

5. Daniel, son of Daniel and Lydia, born Feb. 3, 1767; married Mary Archer. Child, — Daniel A., born Sept. 9, 1796. Married Sally Whittemore for second wife, May 8, 1778. Children, — Mary A.; Hannah W., born April 16, 1802; Henry, Dec. 6, 1804; Joseph W., Sept. 26, 1809.

6. Joseph W., son of Daniel and Sally, born Sept. 26, 1809; married Sarah V. Stevens, April 27, 1838. Children, — Sarah W., born Sept. 30, 1839; Sarah M., Aug. 16, 1841; Joseph F., Feb. 23, 1844.

6. Henry, son of Daniel and Sally, born Dec. 6, 1804; married Sarah W. Poor of Andover, May 23, 1833. Children, — Sarah A., born June 25, 1834; Mary A. Huntington, Sept. 5, 1836.

7. Stephen, son of Daniel and Lydia, born Dec. 15, 1770; married Eunice Spaulding. Children, — Henry, born in Plainfield, Sept. 4, 1800, died Sept. 6, 1800; Henry C., born April 27, 1802; Daniel, Feb. 26, 1804; Betsy Spaulding, June 17, 1805; Sally Maria, born at Danvers, Jan. 27, 1810, died June 24, 1810; Abigail Maria, Sept. 28, 1812; Stephen Franklin, May 28, 1815. Stephen lived at one time in Plainfield, N.H., where his wife was raised, and his four oldest children were born. He died in Danvers, Jan. 1, 1817: his wife died June 6, 1829.

8. Henry C., son of Stephen, born in Plainfield, N.H., April 27, 1802; married Sarah E. Fiske, June, 1829. Children, — Stephen Spaulding, born July 10, 1837; Joseph Saunders, Dec. 3, 1838, died Feb. 14, 1844.

8. Stephen Franklin, son of Stephen and Eunice, born May 28, 1815; married Eliza Flint Nourse, Jan. 14, 1843. Children, — Franklin P., born April 2, 1845; Herbert P., Jan. 7, 1847; Charles H., March 5, 1850. Stephen F. is constable in South Danvers.

5. Benjamin C., son of James, born July 24, 1775; married Betsy Procter. Children, — Clark, born Oct. 24, 1799; Thorndike, Nov. 30, 1801; Betsy, April 25, 1804. Married, for second wife, Judith Procter, Dec. 24, 1806. Children, — Benjamin, born Sept. 13, 1808; George Warren, Sept. 24, 1816.

6. Benjamin, son of Benjamin C. and Betsy, born Sept. 13, 1808; married Joanna B. Jewett of Candia, N.H., Jan. 9, 1838, and lives at South Danvers.

5. Clark, son of Benjamin C. and Betsy, born Oct. 24, 1799; married Hannah Pulsifer, Jan. 12, 1825. Children, — Eliza Ann, born Aug. 22, 1825, married Samuel S. Swazy, Sept. 21, 1849; Ellen Augusta, born March 25, 1827, married Samuel Swazy, and went to California; Hannah Maria, born June 22, 1829, married William Pitman, March 7, 1850;

Martha Hodgkins, born Oct. 3, 1833, married William Nichols; George and Benjamin (twins), born Nov. 16, 1835.

7. Benjamin, son of Clark and Hannah, born Nov. 16, 1835; married Emily Farley, and died in Salem in 1858.

7. George, son of Clark and Hannah, and twin-brother of Benjamin, born Nov. 16, 1835; married Cecillia Lorene, July 16, 1850.

6. George W., son of Benjamin C. and Betsy, born Sept. 24, 1816; married Eliza Ann Verry, July 26, 1838, and lives in South Danvers, on Mount Pleasant. Child, — Eliza Ann, born Oct. 30, 1840. Married, for second wife, Abigail Felton, July 16, 1843. Children, — Rebecca P., born June 22, 1844; Mary Abby, Sept. 19, 1845; George Procter, July 15, 1847; Zacheriah W., June 7, 1852; Betsy Preston, Oct. 12, 1854. Married, for third wife, Ann Ellis, Oct. 14, 1855. Children, — John Henry, born July 7, 1856; Phebe Procter, March 3, 1858.

5. Nathaniel, son of James, born in 1792; married Deborah Witham, Oct. 27, 1813. Children, — Henry L., born Oct. 2, 1814; Lucy D.; Samuel. Married Hannah Leach for second wife. He was for many years constable of Salem; and died Feb. 28, 1853, aged sixty-two.

6. Henry L., son of Nathaniel and Deborah, born Oct. 2, 1814; married Mary D. Southwick. They were married in Beverly, though both lived in Salem. Children, — Henry Alonso, born Nov. 5, 1841; Nathaniel R., March 30, 1850; Charles F., Feb. 25, 1853; Henry A., died April 27, 1847; Nathaniel, died Sept. 15, 1850. Henry L. lives at No. 23, Warren Street, Salem.

6. Samuel, son of Nathaniel and Deborah, born ——; married Eliza Ann Jepson, April 10, 1843. Children, — Eliza Ann, born Aug. 6, 1844; Samuel Whittemore, March 7, 1849; Joseph Henry, Nov. 29, 1856. They live in North Salem.

5. William, son of Daniel and Lydia, Nov. 3, 1775. Child, — William. He moved to Norway, Me., and brought up a family there. He was a payer of direct taxes in Norway in 1798.

6. William, son of William, married Hannah Leach, Oct. 28, 1824. Children, — Ann S., born March 3, 1828; Abigail, May 13, 1829; David, June 5, 1833; Daniel, Feb. 21, 1836; Caroline, Feb. 21, 1838; Wesley, June 3, 1842. His widow lives on the old road from South Danvers to Lynn.

7. William, son of William and Hannah, married Laura Emerson. Children, — Laura E., born Nov. 21, 1847; Abby Noy, March 8, 1849; Carrie Sonora, Aug. 24, 1854; and one infant, name not obtained.

5 Thorndike, son of Benjamin C. and Betsy, born Nov. 21, 1801; married Sarah Wendall, Feb. 11, 1826. Children, — Sarah W., who married William B. Ingalls; Martha W., born Nov. 14, 1829, married J. W. Heath. He lives in Lynn.

5. Isaac, son of Isaac, and grandson of Isaac and Rebecca, married Mary. Children, — Isaac, Nov. 11, 1797; Esther, May 16, 1799; Phebe, Nov. 11, 1802.

5. Abijah, son of James and Amy, married Lydia Kenny, and settled in Frankfort, Me. Children, — James, born Aug. 20, 1803; Anna, Nov. 19, 1804, married Joseph M. Carr, July 4, 1823, — married, for second husband, Jonathan Towle; Paul, March 9, 1807; Samuel, April 24, 1809, married Aseneth Lamphreys, and they live in Prospect; Alfred, April 31, 1812, who is ferryman at Orono; George, May 4, 1813, is quartermaster in the navy; John, Sept. 24, 1815; William. Married, for second wife, Lydia Hager. Child, — Lydia.

6. James, son of Abijah and Lydia, born at Frankfort, Aug. 20, 1803; married Lucy N. Whitney, April 15, 1824.

Children, — Ann T., born in Corinna, Me., May 14, 1837; George M. D., born in Bangor, July 4, 1839; James H. P., Aug. 13, 1841. He was formerly a ship-master, but is now one of the harbor police in Boston. His wife is half-sister to Redman Puffer, who was on board the "Constitution" when she took the "Guerrière:" and she is half-sister also to John Puffer, Esq., of Columbia, Me., who was a Dartmore prisoner twenty-nine months; and when they were fired upon by the guards, in the prison-yard, a ball grazed his jacket, and killed a fellow-prisoner.

6. John, son of Abijah and Lydia, born Sept. 24, 1815; married Mary Kelly. Child, — Mary Jane. He is in California.

2. Samuel, son of John of Rehoboth, was constable of Mendon in 1681; married Hopestill Holebrook in 1668. Made freeman, Oct. 15, 1673. Children, — Mary, who married Seth Chapin, May 20, 1689; Samuel; Ebenezer; John; Sarah, who married a Murdock, April 12, 1727; Josiah. His wife died Jan. 12, 1706. Married, for second wife, Hannah, who died Jan. 24, 1717. His will is dated April 5, 1717. He is the ancestor of the Mendon, Uxbridge, Northbridge, Milford, Oxford, and Charlton Reeds.

3. Samuel, son of Samuel and Hopestill of Mendon, married Deborah. Children, — Mary, born Aug. 11, 1694; Deborah, Jan. 25, 1696; Hopestill, April 1, 1698; John, 1704, married Abigail White, Jan. 7, 1704, — she died June 12, 1706; Samuel, born June 7, 1707; Ebenezer, Aug. 8, 1709, died Nov. 11, 1709; Daniel, born Oct. 29, 1712; Abigail, Dec. 23, 1710; died July 16, 1721; Thomas, born Nov. 24, 1715; Sarah, Feb. 10, 1717; Abigail, 1721; Hannah, June 11, 1724. He died Feb. 14, 1725. He lived in that part of Mendon afterwards set off to Uxbridge. His will is dated Feb. 5, 1724. Inventory: £3,989. 11s. 8d.; a vast estate for those times. His purse, apparel, and cane,

£188. 18s. 6d. (book 24, p. 128; proved November, 1725). It is said that about one-half of the land in Uxbridge and Northbridge was formerly owned by this family of Reeds.

4. Samuel, son of Samuel and Abigail of Mendon, born June 7, 1707; married Ruth Brown, Jan. 21, 1729. Children, — Ruth, born April 8, 1732; Samuel, April 12, 1730; Eunice B., Oct. 27, 1733; Abigail, Dec. 12, 1736; Lydia, Jan. 10, 1742; Catherine, Feb. 23, 1740; Thomas, July 11, 1746. His wife died April 30, 1747. Married Elizabeth Hunt. Children, — James G., born July 18, 1750; Thaddeus, April 9, 1752. His wife died June 22, 1771: he died March 21, 1788. He was deacon of the church, and generally known as Deacon Reed.

4. John, son of Samuel and Abigail, born in 1704; married Lucy, and lived in Uxbridge. Children, — Sarah, born Oct. 24, 1729, married Josiah Adams, Dec. 27, 1750; Joseph, born March 6, 1732; Peter, Nov. 13, 1735; Seth, March 6, 1746; Josiah, July 23, 1753; John, June, 1743. John the elder was called Lieut. Reed; and died Jan. 18, 1771.

5. John, son of Lieut. John, born June, 1743; married Hannah Tuft, June 23, 1763. Children, — Phila, born Dec. 13, 1763; Nathan, Jan. 24, 1766; John Tuft, March, 1769.

5. Joseph, son of Lieut. John, born March 6, 1732; married Eunice Taft, Nov. 6, 1753. Children, — Nathan, born Dec. 9, 1754; Eunice, Dec. 26, 1755; Cheney, Sept. 9, 1757; Joseph, Sept. 1, 1760; Hannah, July 24, 1762.

5. Seth, son of Lieut. John of Uxbridge, born March 6, 1746; married Hannah. Children, — James Manning, born Jan. 6, 1770; John, Dec. 23, 1771; Sophia, Sept. 26, 1773; Seth, Oct. 16, 1775; Sally Adams, Nov. 1, 1777; Henry Joseph, Dec. 20, 1779; George W., March 24, 1782; Polly, April 19, 1784, died Feb. 19, 1830.

6. Cheney, son of Joseph and Eunice, born Sept. 9, 1757;

married Sally Rice, Jan. 25, 1784. Children, — John Taft, April 19, 1785; Sally, March 16, 1787; Fanny, Sept. 23, 1788, died Aug. 22, 1798; Caroline, Nov. 21, 1789. His wife died Jan. 14, 1791. Married Nancy Cutter, Aug. 26, 1792; who died March 16, 1797. Married Mary. Children, — Joseph, born May 21, 1803; Mary Stone, Dec. 1, 1804. His third wife died Dec. 1, 1804: he died May 18, 1822. He lived in Brookfield, and was a justice of the peace and a distinguished man.

5. Capt. Samuel, son of Deacon Samuel, born April 12, 1730; married Abigail Murdock, April 12, 1753. Children, — Samuel, born Jan. 10, 1756; Lydia, Feb. 4, 1759; Submit, Aug. 23, 1761; Ruth, March 3, 1764; Samuel, Dec. 12, 1769. Capt. Samuel died Aug. 24, 1798: his wife died Feb. 4, 1806.

6. Samuel, Esq., son of Capt. Samuel, born Dec. 12, 1769; married Nancy Whitney. Children, — Nancy Whitney, born Aug. 3, 1794; Abigail Murdock, June 12, 1796; Elizabeth Hill, Sept. 18, 1798; Mary Green, Oct. 22, 1800, died Sept. 13, 1806. Esquire Read died April 19, 1839: his wife died March 26, 1835. He was representative twenty years, and was a distinguished man.

5. Capt. Thaddeus, son of Deacon Samuel, born April 9, 1752, in Uxbridge; married Hannah Taylor, May 24, 1780. Children, — Betsy, born Oct. 3, 1781, married M. Rider; Sally, born Feb. 28, 1784, married John Bachelder; Hannah, born May 9, 1786; Mary, Dec. 22, 1789; Thaddeus, June 8, 1793. Capt. Read removed, when young, to Grafton, Mass.; and was a captain in the Revolution, and a distinguished land-surveyor. He died Dec. 3, 1824.

6. Betsy Hunt, daughter of Capt. Thaddeus of Uxbridge and Grafton, born Oct. 3, 1781; married Gilead Rider, and live in Malone, N.Y. Children, — Charles Jordan, born March 23, 1810; Thaddeus R., Feb. 7, 1812; Joshua Le-

land, June 20, 1815; Elizabeth H., Dec. 25, 1813; Hannah R., Dec. 5, 1817; Mary E., April 5, 1820; Holland H., May 1, 1823; Harriet N., Feb. 17, 1825.

7. Joshua L., son of Gilead Rider and Betsy H. Read, born June 20, 1815; married Philomela N. Edda. Children, — Helen Maria, born July 23, 1840; Julia Leland, July 11, 1843. Lives at Malone, N.Y.

7. Hannah R., daughter of Gilead Rider and Betsy H. Reed, born Dec. 5, 1817; married Parseus Willson. Children, — Joshua, born Jan. 25, 1845; Harriet E., Nov. 13, 1846; Mary R., June 27, 1849; Winfield Scott, Aug. 11, 1851; Theodore G., Feb. 21, 1854. Live at Malone, N.Y.

7. Holland H., son of Gilead Rider and Betsy H. Reed, born May 1, 1823; married Philomela N. Rider. Children, — Joshua Leland, born May 7, 1847; Henry H., Feb. 16, 1849; Mary E., Dec. 16, 1850. Lives at Malone, N.Y.

7. Charles J., son of Betsy H. Reed and Gilead Rider, born March 23, 1810; married Delia E. Blodget. Children, — Charles M., born June 6, 1838; Delia Jennette, July 12, 1841; Clarida J., Feb. 12, 1847; Mary S. B., Nov. 13, 1850; Samuel G., Nov. 10, 1853. They live in Ogdensburg, N.Y.; and he is a teacher.

7. Thaddeus R. Rider, son of Betsy H. Reed and Gilead Rider, born Feb. 7, 1812; married Fanny Waldron. Children, — Mary E., born July 14, 1841; Thaddeus R., July 27, 1843; Ella E., Oct. 20, 1848; Phineas L., Dec. 10, 1850.

7. Hanson L., son of Thaddeus and Patty, born Aug. 10, 1818; married Eliza M. Kellogg. Children, — William Hanson, born Sept. 21, 1852. Hanson L. Reed, Esq., lives in Fitchburg. He has a college education. Has been a member of the Legislature, and is the principal of an academy.

6. Sally, daughter of Thaddeus and Hannah, born Feb. 28, 1784; married John Bachelder. Children, — Sarah S.,

born Sept. 2, 1808; Hannah Reed, Nov. 29, 1811; John A., May 15, 1814; John A., May 1, 1816; Holland N., Sept. 28, 1818; Joseph M., Aug. 29, 1820; Susan E., Feb. 20, 1823.

7. Holland N. Bachelder, son of John and Sally Reed, born Sept. 28, 1818; married Mary Dennis. Children, — Mary Louise, born Jan. 11, 1848; John Dennis, July 26, 1850; Joseph Edmond, July 19, 1852. Lives at Macon, Ga.

7. Susan E., daughter of John Bachelder and Sally Reed, born Feb. 20, 1823; married Simon J. Umphrey. Children, — Grace Brewster, born April 12, 1855; Horace Buckingham, Feb. 25, 1857. Lives at Newark, O.

7. Julia M., daughter of Thaddeus Reed and Polly, born March 26, 1823; married Albert H. Daniels. Children, — Frances M., born Aug. 16, 1847; Lucy H., April 22, 1849; Isabel R., June 22, 1851. Lives at Manchester, N.H.

6. Thaddeus, son of Capt. Thaddeus, born June 8, 1793; married Patty Leland of Grafton. Children, — Hanson L., born Aug. 10, 1818; Martha E., July 6, 1820; Julia M., March 26, 1823; Samuel F., Jan. 21, 1830. Married, for second wife, Abigail Sibley. Children, — Martha E., born Sept. 5, 1832; Almira S., May 11, 1835. Thaddeus died Feb. 4, 1837, at Westborough, Mass.

7. Nancy W., daughter of Samuel Reed, Esq., of Uxbridge, born Aug. 3, 1794; married Luther Spring, and lives in Worcester. Children, — Samuel R., born Sept. 7, 1819; Mary E., Jan. 22, 1822; Charles C., March 24, 1824; Emily A., Dec. 21, 1827; George W., Oct. 15, 1830; William L., Oct. 25, 1832; Nancy J., Aug. 13, 1835; Franklin H., March 3, 1838.

7. Abigail M., daughter of Samuel Reed, Esq., of Uxbridge, born July 12, 1796; married John W. Capron, who died May 21, 1828. Children, — Elizabeth R., born Dec. 3, 1820; Mary Ann, Sept. 9, 1827.

7. Elizabeth H., daughter of Samuel Reed, Esq., of Uxbridge, born Sept. 18, 1798; married Nathan White, Oct. 31, 1822. Mr. White died at White-Sulphur Springs, Va., July 25, 1837. Children, — Abby R., born March 9, 1827; Frances E., Dec. 26, 1828; Irene J., July 6, 1831; Arthur J., Oct. 1, 1833; Rodney S., Jan. 29, 1836. Mrs. White afterwards married Mr. Dwight.

8. Samuel R., son of Luther Spring and Nancy, born Sept. 7, 1819; married Maria Aldrich, October, 1845. Children, — Mary Eliza, Ellen, Ella Frances.

8. Mary Spring, daughter of Luther Spring and Nancy W. Reed, born Jan. 22, 1822; married James Morse, and they live in Worcester. Children, — Charles F., born Feb. 21, 1849; George A., Feb. 1, 1851; Hattie J., Dec. 4, 1855; William H., Sept. 18, 1857.

8. Charles C., son of Luther Spring and Nancy W. Reed, born March 24, 1824; married E. Prentice, Feb. 18, 1844, and lives in Worcester. Children, — Charles A., born Jan. 16, 1845; Ellen A., Jan. 6, 1847; Edgar F., July 18, 1848; Alice E., March 21, 1853.

8. Emily A. Spring, daughter of Luther Spring and Nancy W. Reed, born Dec. 31, 1827; married Carter Whitcomb, Feb. 6, 1850. They live in Worcester. Children, — Ida F., born April 29, 1851; Carrie J., Jan. 13, 1853; an infant boy, not named, born Aug. 29, 1857.

8. Elizabeth, daughter of John W. Capron and Abigail M. Reed, born Dec. 3, 1820; married Trueman Richards, April 25, 1848. They live in Worcester. Children, — John C., born Sept. 27, 1851; Charles T., Aug. 26, 1857.

8. Frances E., daughter of Nathan White and Elizabeth H. Reed, born Dec. 26, 1828; married Henry Gale, May 1, 1854, and has no children.

3. Ebenezer, son of Samuel and Hopestill, married Sarah Chapin, Feb. 7, 1704. Children, — Lydia, born May 15,

1706, died July 2, 1706; John, born Aug. 3, 1707; David, Aug. 19, 1709; Ebenezer, Feb. 27, 1711; Hannah, March 19, 1714; Abigail, March 15, 1717; Mary, Feb. 4, 1721; Josiah, Jan. 24, 1723, probably killed by Indians at Housac Fort, Sept. 15, 1746. Sarah, the wife of the elder Ebenezer, died at Uxbridge, May 16, 1773, aged ninety-five years.

4. Ebenezer, son of Ebenezer of Mendon, born at Mendon; married Esther Webb of Braintree, June 26, 1736; and married Hannah for second wife. Children, — John; Benjamin, born Jan. 21, 1740; Ebenezer, Aug. 24, 1741; Esther, Aug. 24, 1743. He was deacon of the church in Uxbridge.

5. Ebenezer, son of Ebenezer, born Aug. 24, 1741; married Sarah. Children, — Alexander, born July 10, 1786; Samuel T., 1775, died April 1, 1832, aged fifty-seven. Ebenezer was known as Deacon Reed; and died May 10, 1823.

6. Ebenezer, son of Deacon Ebenezer, born Aug. 24, 1741; married Mary Chapin, Feb. 23, 1764. Children, — Hannah, born May 15, 1764; Ichabod, Jan. 21, 1766; Sarah, March 4, 1773; Mary, Jan. 7, 1769, died May 20, 1770; Sylvia, born July 18, 1761; Samuel Torry, Oct. 17, 1774; Mary, Dec. 16, 1776; Ebenezer, May 1, 1779; Benjamin, who lives at No. 9, Maple Street, Worcester.

7. Ebenezer, son of Deacon Ebenezer of Uxbridge, born in 1789; married Sarah Curtis, April 2, 1817. Children, — Abigail Curtis, April 28, 1818; Ebenezer Chapin, May 10, 1820; Alexander, Feb. 1, 1822; Sarah Elizabeth, May 20, 1826; Frances Mary, Sept. 7, 1829. Ebenezer lived in that part of the town afterwards Milford; and died at Worcester, July 2, 1837. He was a deacon. His wife died Feb. 19, 1834, at Worcester, aged forty-eight years.

8. Samuel, son of Deacon Ebenezer and Sarah, born in 1775; married Charlotte. Child, — Lucy W. He died at Worcester, April 1, 1832, aged fifty-seven: his wife died March 20, 1843, aged seventy.

Samuel T., son of Deacon Ebenezer and Mary, born Oct. 17, 1774; married, first, Mary Torrey, Sept. 24, 1808; and, second, Abigail Wight, Dec. 16, 1817. Children, — Mary Torrey, born Sept. 4, 1820; Samuel Torrey Wight, Jan. 22, 1822; Abigail Wight, Dec. 7, 1823; Maria Hawes, June 24, 1825; Lucy Wheelock Warren, Aug. 2, 1827; Josiah Torrey, Aug. 1, 1829; Samuel Austen, Jan. 18, 1832; Samuel T. W., graduated at Brown University in 1854; Josiah, graduated at Amherst in 1856, — lives at No. 15, Portland Street, Worcester. Samuel T. died at Worcester, April 1, 1832. His widow lives at No. 15, Portland Street, Worcester.

Alexander, son of Deacon Ebenezer, born July 10, 1786; married Sarah Willis in 1817. Children, — Mary; Sarah; William, who graduated at Dartmouth College, and lives in New Bedford; Elizabeth T., born in 1831, and died in 1847, and her life has been published by John S. C. Abbot. Dr. Alexander Reed was of Worcester in 1818. He was afterwards a physician in New Bedford.

4. John, son of Ebenezer and Sarah, born at Mendon, Aug. 3, 1707; settled early in life in that part of Windham, Conn., which is now within the bounds of Mansfield. Children, — Amasa, Nathaniel, Timothy, Joshua, Rachal.

5. Amasa, son of John, lived in Mansfield, and raised a family of four sons and as many daughters. He served in the Revolutionary War. His oldest son was Amasa, who was born in 1764, and occupied the old homestead. He served some time in the latter part of the Revolutionary War; and died by a fall in his barn, in January, 1836. Children, — John, born Dec. 20, 1783, and lives in Mansfield; Preunday, born June 17, 1785, married a Gurley; Jesse, born Sept. 29, 1786; Ethelday, June 26, 1787, died in 1838; Roina, June 28, 1790, married a Fenton; Anna, born Nov. 18, 1791; Samuel F., Sept. 16, 1793; Polly, Sept. 9,

1795, died April 10, 1808; Elson, born Nov. 27, 1797, lives in Ohio; Josiah H., born Dec. 5, 1799, lives in Uxbridge.

5. Nathaniel, son of John, settled, when young, in Tyringham, Mass.; but afterwards emigrated to Ashtabula, in the State of Ohio, where he died. He was in the battle of Bunker Hill.

6. Joshua, son of Amasa, settled in Shelburn, Vt., soon after the Revolution, and raised a family of ten children; and died in 1846, aged eighty-four years. His wife was Orphana Hurlburt of Woodbury, Conn. Children, — Almon H., Joshua, Myron, Horace, Marshal, Orphosa, Diana, Orphena, Clarissa, Ralph H.

6. Joshua, son of Amasa, settled in Shelburn; and died in 1829, leaving three children.

6. Myron, son of Amasa, lives in Shelburn. Joshua has one son in Iowa; another in New Haven, Conn.; and three in Shelburne.

6. Ralph H., son of Joshua, married Sophia Olmstead; lives in Shelburn, and is justice of the peace. Children, — Cornelia G., born March 12, 1821; Lucelia W., June 3, 1822; Homer J., Aug. 21, 1828, died young; Henry Hurlburt, born Jan. 27, 1831; Charles D., Feb. 15, 1833; Lucian O., Oct. 20, 1835; Sophia J. A., July 25, 1844.

5. Almon H., son of Joshua, graduated at Williams College, and practised law in Montrose, Pa.; was a representative to the Legislature, State Treasurer, a delegate to revise the Constitution, and member of Congress. He died in 1844, leaving a son Charles F., who is living in Montrose.

6. Samuel F., son of Amasa, lives in Westfield, Mass. Children, — Nancy, born May 19, 1817; Mary, April 21, 1819; Prunda, May 7, 1821; George, April 16, 1826; Crelilia, April 25, 1828; John, Jan. 2, 1830, died in 1848; James, born Jan. 18, 1833; Roina, Jan. 15, 1836.

4. David, son of Ebenezer and Sarah of Uxbridge, born

Aug. 19, 1709; married Thankful. Children, — Henry, born Jan. 7, 1735; Joseph, Sept. 6, 1736; Lydia, Nov. 8, 1738; Mary, Oct. 14, 1740; Silence, Nov. 4, 1742; David, Nov. 14, 1744. David died Jan. 6, 1805, aged ninety-seven.

5. Benjamin, Esq., son of Ebenezer and Esther, born Jan. 21, 1740; married Comfort Tuft, May 17, 1762; and died June 18, 1806. His wife died March 16, 1824.

4. Daniel, son of Samuel and Abigail of Uxbridge, born Oct. 29, 1712; married Sarah Tuft of Uxbridge, Jan. 8, 1736. Children, — Thomas, born May 23, 1741; Daniel, June 3, 1743; Sarah, Jan. 23, 1740; Ezra, June 28, 1737, died in 1739.

5. Thomas, son of Daniel and Sarah of Uxbridge, born May 23, 1741; married Martha Park of Uxbridge, Dec. 14, 1763. Children, — Martha, born Feb. 15, 1765, who married Amos Wheeler of Worcester, June 2, 1785; Thomas, born Oct. 8, 1766; Sarah, Sept. 22, 1768, married Calvin Hersey of Leicester; Lucy, born Sept. 20, 1770, married Cyrus Emerson of Danville, Vt.; Mary, married Amos Emerson of Danville, Vt.; Elizabeth, born Jan. 24, 1773, married Joab Kimball of Peachem, Vt.; John Hancock, born Oct. 8, 1775; Eleaner, Dec. 19, 1777, married Rev. Joseph Emerson of Beverly; Clarissa, born March 12, 1780, married Deacon Luther Pierce of Enfield, Conn.; Charlotte, Feb. 12, 1784, died Sept. 2, 1811; Paulina, married John Burley, Esq., of Beverly; Elizabeth and Lucy, who were living, at the age of eighty-four years, in Montpelier, Vt. The elder Thomas lived in Uxbridge; which was set off to Northbridge in 1772.

5. Daniel, son of Daniel and Sarah, born June 3, 1743; married Mary. Children, — Mary, born Feb. 5, 1767; Abigail, Jan. 29, 1769.

6. Thomas, Esq., of Montpelier, Vt., son of Thomas of

Northbridge, born Oct. 9, 1766; married Patty Hutchins of Hampstead, N.H. He settled in Hampstead, and remained there till 1799. He then removed to Enfield, N.H., where he resided a while; but moved to Montpelier in 1804, and resided there till his death, April 3, 1839. He was president of a bank in Montpelier. Children, — Thomas, born March 29, 1793; Hezekiah, May 25, 1795; Eliza, Oct. 13, 1798.

7. Thomas, Esq., son of Thomas of Montpelier, born March 29, 1793; married L. W. Borland of Billerica. Children, — George B.; William J.; Edward D.; Charles, State Librarian for Vermont; Josephene; Georgianna.

7. Hezekiah, Esq., son of Thomas of Montpelier, born May 25, 1795; married Martha Barnard. Children, — Mary B., Cornelia A., Eliza S., Emily D., Gertrude H.

8. Mary B., daughter of Hezekiah and Martha, married Prof. N. G. Clarke of the University of Vermont. She died Feb. 11, 1859.

7. Eliza, daughter of Thomas and Patty, born Oct. 13, 1798; married James Spaulding, a physician in Montpelier. Children, — James R., William C., Martha, Jane, George, Isabel.

6. John H., son of Thomas of Northbridge, born Oct. 8, 1775; married Mary Tyler of Mendon. He removed to Snow Hill, N.C.; taught an academy; and died there April 27, 1828. His children died young.

5. Daniel, son of Daniel and Sarah of Uxbridge, now Northbridge, born June 3, 1743; married Mary Brown of Leicester. Children, — Ezra; Abner; Amasa; Acsah, who married Mr. Inman, and lived and died on the homestead in Northbridge; other daughters, names not known.

5. Sarah, daughter of Daniel and Sarah of Northbridge, born June 23, 1740; married Edmond Potter of Sutton. Child, — Sarah, who married William Park, Esq., of Northbridge; and afterwards removed to Woodford, Vt.

6. Ezra, son of Daniel and Mary of Northbridge, settled in Champaign County, O.; had a large family of sons, and gave them all a liberal education. His son, Daniel was President of Athens College; Nathaniel, a lawyer, settled in Cincinnati, — is Circuit Judge; Abner, a lawyer, settled in Memphis; his next son, a physician, settled in Paris, O.; another son is in the navy; and another, Sheriden P. Reed, is a lawyer in Terre Haute, Ind.

6. Abner, son of Daniel and Mary of Northbridge, settled in Champaign County, O.; married Syntha Adams, April 8, 1816. Children, — Nathaniel, who was killed by the falling of a tree, when about twenty-one years old; Arnold, who is a farmer in Indiana; George; Cyrus; Clark; Orail; Eliza.

6. Amasa, son of Daniel and Mary of Northbridge, settled in Champaign County. Children, — Mary, who married a Brown in Ohio; Sarah Ann; Samuel A., who married Miss Dodson; Mortier L., who married Miss J. C. Wright in 1846, and settled in Rushwell, and, in 1851, removed to Beardstown, Ill., — a lawyer by profession, but is now in a merchant-tailor's shop, on account of health; one son died, aged twenty years, name not known; Martha and Hannah, died young. Amasa died in Beardstown, Ill., September, 1843.

4. Thomas, son of Samuel and Abigail, born Nov. 24, 1715; married Experience. Child, — Joseph, born at Oxford, April 19, 1750. Thomas was known as Deacon Read of Oxford.

5. Joseph, son of Thomas and Experience of Oxford, born April 19, 1750; married Hannah Learned, April 30, 1775. Children, — Thomas, born Feb. 16, 1778; Nancy, Nov. 22, 1782, married Samuel H. Stebbins, and lives in Belchertown; John; Zilpah, born July 12, 1785, married Amasa Lincoln, and lives in Athol; Learned, born Oct. 31, 1786; Haddassah, May 29, 1788; Joseph, May 11, 1790; Eliphas, Sept. 1, 1792; Charles, Oct. 25, 1795, lives in Union, Ill.

Hannah, the wife of Joseph, died June 13, 1802. Married Louis Sykes at Ludlow, Vt., May 26, 1803. Children, — William, born June 1, 1804, lives in Crystal Lake, Ill.; Lucetta M., born April 14, 1806; Louisa, Nov. 21, 1808. He died at Belchertown, Dec. 19, 1818.

6. Thomas, son of Joseph and Hannah, born Feb. 16, 1778; married April 2, 1801. Child, — Thomas. The elder Thomas died at Amherst, May 16, 1832; where his descendants still remain.

6. Joseph, son of Joseph and Experience, born May 7, 1790, in Belchertown; married Ruth Dwight, March 22, 1819. Children, — Samuel D., born Feb. 8, 1820; Charles F., Jan. 23, 1822; Clara A., Aug. 13, 1823; Edward L., Sept. 4, 1824; Henry H., Aug. 16, 1826; Jason W., June 16, 1829; Emily J., Feb. 2, 1834.

7. Henry H., son of Joseph and Ruth of Wilmington, Vt., born Aug. 16, 1826; married Lucy E. Lincoln. Child, — Judith E., born July 14, 1853. His wife died July 13, 1855. Married Julia L. Boyd, Oct. 14, 1855.

4. Sarah, daughter of Samuel and Abigail of Uxbridge, and sister to Deacons Thomas and Daniel, married Col. John Spring of Uxbridge. Children, — John, Samuel, Ephraim, Mary.

5. John Spring, son of Col. John Spring and Sarah Reed, had Adolphus, who married a Tuft of Uxbridge; and Polly, who married Rev. Mr. Dudley.

5. Rev. Samuel Spring, son of Col. John and Sarah Reed, married Hannah Hopkins, daughter of Rev. Samuel Hopkins of Hadley. Child, — Gardner. The Rev. Samuel was an Orthodox minister in Newburyport.

6. Gardner Spring, son of Rev. Samuel Spring, is an Orthodox minister of distinction in New-York City. A daughter of Rev. Gardner Spring, D.D., is the wife of Paul Spofford of New York, — a celebrated merchant.

5. Thomas, son of Deacon Samuel of Mendon, afterwards Uxbridge, born July 11, 1746; married Ruth Carriel, Dec. 6, 1768. Children, — Elizabeth, born Oct. 19, 1769; Samuel, Jan. 24, 1771; Daniel, March 11, 1774; Thomas, Aug. 28, 1772; Elkanah, Sept. 15, 1780; Cheney, Dec. 4, 1794; Abigail, July 7, 1778, married a Dunn; Amah, born Sept. 18, 1784; Ruth, Jan. 29, 1786; Lydia, July 20, 1781; Betsey, Oct. 10, 1790. The elder Thomas settled in Townsend, Vt., and died in 1814. His wife died in 1824.

6. Thomas, son of Thomas and Ruth of Townsend, Vt., born Aug. 28, 1772; married Betsy Merrifield, Dec. 29, 1796; died June 30, 1853. Children, — Hollis, born Aug. 26, 1802; Lucius, Aug. 14, 1810; Anna, Oct. 10, 1798; Clark, Oct. 10, 1800; Leonard, Aug. 7, 1807; Elizabeth R., March 31, 1813; Lydia, March 6, 1816.

6. Abigail, daughter of Thomas of Townsend, married Mr. Dunn. Children, — Ransom, a clergyman; Lewis, Principal of Fairfax Academy in Vermont.

6. Elkanah, son of Thomas of Townsend, born Dec. 15, 1780; married Patty Rawson. Children, — Lorain Rawson, who married Dr. D. H. Burd; Emily Ward, born March 29, 1806, married John R. Skinner; Olive Wilkinson, born Feb. 23, 1808, married Joseph Dunton; Eunice Worcester, born April 28, 1810, married Amos E. Parker; Nancy Maria, born July 31, 1812, married J. W. Barns; William Wilson, born Feb. 4, 1814, married Cornelia S. Spooner; Luther Allen, born Aug. 26, 1817, married Mary Gridley; Luke; Whitcomb, born Sept. 7, 1820, married Abby E. Darling, and is Principal of the Academy at Kinderhook.

7. Hollis, son of Thomas and Ruth of Townsend, Vt., born Aug. 26, 1802; married Caroline Hubbell of Bennington, Vt., June 24, 1830. Children, — Catherine Henrietta, born June 26, 1842; Edward Griffin, Nov. 3, 1844; Hollis

Reed, graduated at Williams College in 1826; taught school at Bennington; finished his theological studies at Princeton, N.J., 1829; and sailed for India, Aug. 2, 1830, as missionary for the American Board. He remained in that capacity five years, and then returned on account of the feeble health of his wife; and has since been a settled minister in Derby and New Breton, Conn., and Granville, N.J. He is likewise an author of distinction. Among his published works of note are the "Christian Brahman," "Read's and Romsdail's Researches," "Hand of God in History," and "Memoirs and Sermons of Rev. J. W. Armstrong." He has likewise contributed largely to the newspapers and periodicals of the day, and has at this time several manuscript-works in the hands of the publisher. He is honored with the title of D.D.

Eliza, daughter of Thomas and Betsy, born March 31, 1813; married Daniel Whitaker, Dec. 13, 1835. Child,—Ann Eliza, born Aug. 26, 1838.

Clark, son of Thomas and Betsy, born Oct. 10, 1800; married Orpha Wright, December, 1824. Children,—Leonard Serena, born Jan. 9, 1825; Hollis Sydney, July 20, 1827. Married, for second wife, Lucina Warren, March 27, 1829. Children,—Mary Ann; Eliza C.; Horace, January, 1841.

7. Lucius, son of Thomas and Betsy, born Aug. 14, 1810; married Emily N. Kimball, Nov. 22, 1831. Children,—Martha Elizabeth, born March 10, 1840, died Aug. 28, 1840; Helen Amanda, Jan. 17, 1844; Emily Lucia, November, 1847. Married, for second wife, Tryphena H. Parsons, April 4, 1848. Children,—Lydia, born Oct. 2, 1849; Caroline E., June 29, 1852, died Sept. 12, 1852; Thomas, born Oct. 2, 1854; Tryphena, July 3, 1856, died Sept. 6, 1856. Lucius lives in Byron, Ill.

Elizabeth R., daughter of Thomas and Betsy, born March

31, 1813; married David Whitaker, Dec. 13, 1835. Child, — Ann Eliza, born Aug. 26, 1838.

6. Daniel, son of Thomas and Ruth of Townsend, Vt., born March 11, 1774; married Betsy Bailey in 1799.

John, son of Samuel and Hopestill of Mendon, born about 1673; graduated at Cambridge in 1697, and was a distinguished preacher. The following is related of him in the Connecticut Historical Collections: "A Mr. Walker and Mr. Reed were both preaching at Hartford; and, about the time of the first settlement of the town of Woodbury, there was some controversy, which of the two licentiates should go with the emigrants to Woodbury: and they were requested to deliver a discourse on the day when it was to be decided, — Mr. Walker in the forenoon, and Mr. Reed in the afternoon. Mr. Walker took for his text, 'What went ye out into the wilderness for to see? — a *reed* shaken with the wind.' He enlarged upon the circumstance and propriety of a *reed* being found in the wilderness, &c. Mr. Reed, in the afternoon, took for his text, 'Your adversary, the Devil, walketh about,' &c. In the course of his observations, he stated that the great adversary of men was a great *walker;* and, instead of remaining with the brethren, ought to be kept walking at a distance from them. The result was, that Mr. Reed was retained at Hartford. He, however, was soon after in Fairfield County, where he was a great landholder. He preached a portion of the time at New Milford; and, in 1699, was preaching at Waterbury, but refused to be settled. He was engaged in a long and tedious law-suit about the title of a tract of land in the centre of New Milford, which he claimed to have bought of the Indians. He built a dwelling-house upon it, near where the Town House now stands, and lived there a while to hold possession and defend his title; and, after he moved away, his house was used for some years as a place of public worship. His experience in the law

probably convinced him that he was better calculated for the forum than the pulpit; and he afterward practised law with great success in Boston. He married Ruth. Children, — John, born in 1700; William; Ruth, who married Rev. Mr. Hann, the minister of Fairfield; Mary, who married, and moved to Halifax, N.S.; Abigail; and Deborah. At the time of his death, he owned a mansion-house in Green Street, Boston, now Court Street; which, in the division of his estate, was set off to his son William, who was a lawyer, but died unmarried. He also owned large tracts of land in Fairfield, which then embraced what is now the county of Fairfield; and his son John, and son-in-law Mr. Hann, settled upon it. He owned also, at the time of his death in 1749, the township of Ware in Massachusetts, which had been granted to certain persons in Narraganset for military services; and he bought it of them for two coppers per acre, and a tract in Wellington, now Dayton, and several other townships, one of which he bought at auction of the town of Boston in 1637, for which he paid about $3,600. He had one township at the time of his death, which was called the Manor of Peace, probably from the fact that he held peaceable possession of it without a lawsuit. He published a grammar and some political essays, and was unquestionably the greatest lawyer of his time. He was also a man of ardent and devoted piety, though somewhat eccentric in his manners. He was called, by the people of Boston, Leather-jacket John, to distinguish him from the other John Reeds. The following tribute to his memory, taken from "Knap's Biographical Sketches," will illustrate his character and worth: —

"John Reed was distinguished for genius; beloved by the votaries of literature; revered by the contemporary patriots of his country; the pride of the bar; the light of the law; and chief among the wise, the witty, and the eloquent. One who lived long and did much; but of

whom so little is matter of record, that a single page would contain all that is written of him. It is painful to think that a man so proudly pre-eminent among his peers should now be buried in obscurity. Tradition, it is true, is stored with anecdotes of him; but we look in vain for written memorials. He graduated at Cambridge in 1697. He studied divinity, and was for some time a popular preacher; but not liking the religious dogmas of that day, or fearing that he should not be able to restrain his wit or keep his gravity at some instance of solemn foolery, or perhaps feeling that he was destined for a more extended sphere of action, he left that profession for the law. The last of his years are distinctly remembered by two votaries of the law, who are now living (for he did not die till 1749); and those living chronicles confirm the statement, that the numerous anecdotes of him which have come down to us were current soon after his decease.

"To prove that he was a profound lawyer, not trammelled by the mere letter of the law nor confused by its prolixity, it is only necessary to look at his legal labors which are now extant. One act alone should give him immortality. He, from his own high responsibility, reduced the quaint, redundant, and obscure phraseology of the English deeds of conveyance to the present short, clear, and simple form now in use among us. Forms seemingly prolix have generally their use; and most lawyers are attached to them from habit, and from a belief that it is better to be tautological, than obscure from too much brevity. His influence and authority must have been great, as a lawyer, to have brought these retrenched forms into general use. The declarations which he made and used in civil actions, have, many of them, come down to us as precedents, and are among the finest specimens of special pleading which can be found. Story has preserved some of his forms: and Parsons used to say, that many other lawyers had assumed his works, as a special pleader, as their own; and that the honors due him had, by carelessness or accident, been given to others, who had only copied his forms. In speaking of Reed's knowledge of the science of special pleading, Judge Trowbridge related an anecdote to a gentleman of the bar, now living. The facts show sagacity and cunning, — then the great requisites for distinction; and which, at all times, have their weight in making up a lawyer's character. A merchant of Salem or Boston, who had a ship and cargo seized for breach of the revenue-

laws, applied to Reed for advice. Reed told him to replevy the ship and cargo; and a writ of replevin was made out, with the forms prescribed by the old Province law, commanding the plaintiff, upon his giving bond, to answer the cost and damages at the next Court of Common Pleas, and respond the judgment finally given thereon; and summon the seizing officer to appear, and show cause why he had driven away and impounded the ship and cargo. As the abating of writs seemed at that time to be a great part of the practice, Reed intentionally had given the defendant in replevin no addition, or else the wrong one. On the day of the sitting of the court, the plaintiff in replevin came and told Reed that the counsel for the defendant had found a flaw in the writ, and intended to have the writ abated. Reed endeavored to calm the feelings of his client; and, without letting him into the secret of his intentions, told him to enter his writ. Upon the sitting of the court, the counsel for defendant reached across the table, and whispered to Reed, informing him of the mistake made in the writ, and that he intended to have it abated. Reed, having examined the writ, and finding the error, desired him to let him amend; but he refused. Reed then told him, if he would not let him amend, he could not help it; but he must plead it in writing, for sometimes such pleas were made *ore tenus*, praying that the writ might abate, and for costs, without requesting a return of the ship and cargo: and judgment was rendered accordingly. Then Reed told his client to let execution come out against him, and, when the officer came to serve it, to pay it, and not before. At the next term, suit was brought on the bond, and Reed prayed oyer of the bond and condition; and pleaded in bar, that he had fully complied, and performed its condition by entering and prosecuting the suit to final judgment, and by paying the execution; in proof of which, he produced the sheriff's return on the same. The merchant having sent his ship to sea upon her restoration thereof to him by the writ of replevin, there was an end of the cause.

"As a legislator, he was conspicuous for several years; but so unambitious a man could not have been a regular leader of faction. He spoke with frankness, regardless of political consequences. A great man who condescends to enter into the politics of the day, and bear the heat and burthen of it, owes nothing to the public for his honors; but the public are much indebted to him for his exertions.

"After having been for some time in the House of Representatives, he was elected to the Council when Shirley was in the chair, and there passed the same upright course. Belcher, the predecessor of Shirley, had persuaded his council, that, upon the appointment of a new Governor, it was necessary to renew all civil commissions. This same thing was proposed by Shirley, and the precedent brought up; but Mr. Reed, a very eminent lawyer, and, which is more, a person of great integrity and firmness of mind, being then a member of the Council, brought such arguments against the practice, that a majority of the Board refused to consent to it (Hutchinson, vol. ii.).

"His method of managing causes, his terse arguments, his cutting irony, his wittiness, and his good nature too, were well known to that generation of lawyers to which Gridley, Trowbridge, and Pinchon belonged; and facts illustrating his powers and disposition were familiar to the next, — to Lowell, Parsons, and those just gone.

"It is related of him, that at one time he travelled South; and there being no conveyance by stage or railroad, and not much communication in any way between the North and South, he adopted the safest and most feasible mode of travel for the times, — which was to obtain a dress of the plainest and most unostentatious kind, — and with his change of linen in his pack, and his walking-stick, sat out on foot. It was from this circumstance that he acquired the name of Leather Jacket, by which he was sometimes called.

"During his journey, he arrived in a country village, which happened to be the shire-town; and the court was in session. There was a cause about to be tried, in which the plaintiff was a poor man, and unable to pay such fees as were demanded by counsel, and appeared there without any. The defendant was rich and influential, and had able counsel. Mr. Reed listened to the discussion going on in relation to the case, at the public-house, during the evening; and, in the morning, intimated to the plaintiff, that he had discovered the points in his case, and might render him some service, but without making himself known to him. The plaintiff readily availed himself of his assistance: and Mr. Reed appeared and opened the case, and won it, very much to the surprise of all present; and immediately, without any pay for his valuable services, left the court-house, — he to pursue his journey, and they to wonder who the mysterious stranger could be. Like Galileo and Bacon, Mr. Reed was too far

in advance of the age in which he lived to have been sufficiently honored in his generation; and it is to be deplored that he had no honest chronicler to have traced him from the cradle to the grave, however homely the record might at this time appear."

John, son of Hon. John of Boston, went to Connecticut, and settled in the North Parish of Fairfield; the county of Fairfield being then one town. He was one of the first and principal settlers; and when it was incorporated into a town in May, 1767, it was named Reading in honor of him. He was a military character, and held a colonel's commission; but, like his father and grandfather, was a very pious man, and occasionally preached. He had a deer-park, about a mile north of the Town House. He died in 1786, aged eighty-six; and his monument is to be seen, a little west of the Town House. His descendants are numerous in Connecticut, New York, Vermont, and many of the Western States; and the peculiar features in the character of Hon. John Reed are strongly imprinted upon his posterity. He married two wives, one of which was a Milford lady; by whom he had the following children: viz., — William, Zalmon, Luke, and Huldah. Married, for second wife, Sarah Bradley, Dec. 17, 1750, of Greenfield Hill. Children, — Hezekiah, born Feb. 23, 1753; John, who died unmarried; Sarah, born Nov. 27, 1751; Deborah; Ruth, Sept. 25, 1754; Marab, March 4, 1758; Mable, Sept. 9, 1759; Esther, Dec. 26, 1760; Levi, March 19, 1764, died when four days old; John, April 30, 1765.

William, son of Col. John of Reading, went to Ohio many years ago with his family, and settled. His wife was a Miss Hawley.

Zalmon, son of Col. John of Reading, born 1763; married Huldah Bradley of Greenfield, Fairfield County, Jan. 31, 1758; inherited a portion of the landed estate of his father, and settled upon it, in Reading. He was also administrator

of the estate of his uncle William, who died in Boston. He had four sons; viz., Zalmon, Eli, Samuel, Aaron.

Luke, the son of Col. John, fell into a burning coal-pit in the year 1739, and was so badly burned that he survived but a few hours. His father wrote a letter to Ruth, his mother, in Boston, informing his parents of the melancholy event; and his father sent back a letter in reply. Both of the letters are yet preserved, after a period of a hundred and twenty years; and are both remarkable for the piety and Christian resignation manifested in them, and form a complete index to the turn of mind, and Christian graces, so strongly exhibited in the writers.

Zalmon, son of Zalmon, born at Reading, April 28, 1759; married Huldah Gray in 1780; and died on the old estate, Oct. 3, 1846. Children, — Aaron, born April 23, 1781; Henry, Nov. 11, 1787; Samuel, June 9, 1797; Benjamin; Betsy, Feb. 24, 1792; Clarissa, April 8, 1793. His wife died June 27, 1810. Married Hannah Basset, 1819. Children, — Frederick, born November, 1821; Mary, February, 1824; Benjamin, May, 1831.

Aaron, son of Zalmon of Reading, married Maria Hawley. Children, — Harriet, who married Richard Smith of Sharon, May 28, 1830, and died in fourteen months after her marriage, leaving an infant son; Mary, married Mr. Nathaniel Church, and moved to Troy, N.Y. Mr. Church died Oct. 22, 1839: Mrs. Church died Oct. 22, 1853, leaving three children, — one son and two daughters. Mr. Reed now lives in Troy, N.Y., and is widely known as Deacon Reed. He has a son (Charles H.), who graduated at Yale College; studied theology at Princeton; licensed to preach in Troy, N.Y.; settled over the Pearl-street Church, New-York City, where he remained five years; and has been for the last twelve years pastor of the United Presbyterian Church in Richmond, Va., — a pious and devoted pastor, and popular preacher.

Frederick, son of Zalmon and Hannah, born November, 1821; married Zeaner Gray in 1841. Children, — Charles, born in 1843; Delia G., 1846; George, 1850.

Benjamin, son of Zalmon and Hannah, born May, 1831; married Catherine Selloch. Children, — John, born in 1853; William, 1856.

Samuel, son of Zalmon, 1st, settled in New-York City; married Ruhamah Lockwood. Children, — Charles; Hannah.

Eli, son of Zalmon, born in 1765; married Mabel Lyon. Child, — Huldah, born Aug. 16, 1764. He died in Reading in 1842.

Aaron, son of Zalmon, born in 1767; received a liberal education; studied law, and settled in Bedford, N.Y.; married Sally Flemming of Bedford. Children, — Sarah, Aaron, Frederick. Sally, the wife of Aaron, died in 1829; and, after living a widower six years, he married Mary, daughter of Edmond Mead of Somers, N.Y. He was Judge of the County Court; a ruling elder in the church; a talented, pious, noble-hearted man; and died Sept. 9, 1855, much lamented, aged eighty-eight years.

Huldah, daughter of Zalmon, born in Reading in 1761; married Samuel Smith, and had children. She died in the twenty-third year of her age.

Samuel, son of Zalmon, born at Reading in 1763; married Ruhamah Lockwood, and had a family of children. He settled in Woodbridge, N.J.; where he died.

Hezekiah, son of Col. John, born at Reading, Feb. 25, 1753; married Anna Gorham, May 12, 1774. Children, — Anna, born Dec. 1, 1775; Sarah, Sept. 14, 1777; Ulilla, Jan. 22, 1780; Hezekiah, March 23, 1783, married Nancy Banks. His wife died Feb. 23, 1785. Married, for second wife, Abigail Hull, Feb. 22, 1789. Children, — Deborah, born May 23, 1790; Thaddeus, Sept. 27, 1792; Elizabeth, June 6, 1795; Samuel Bradley, April 1, 1802.

Thaddeus, son of Hezekiah, married Elleanor Lyon, Jan. 1, 1823. Children, — George, born Dec. 2, 1829, married Eliza Collins, Jan. 23, 1854; Susan, born Jan. 21, 1824; Sarah, April 23, 1826; Abigail, Sept. 6, 1832; Eleanor, Aug. 5, 1834; Deborah, July 19, 1839. The son George lives in Reading. Thaddeus died September, 1846; and his widow and daughters live in New-York City.

Sarah, daughter of Col. John, married Jabez Hill of Reading, and brought up a family of children, whose descendants form a numerous and respectable family.

Samuel B., son of Hezekiah and Anna, born April 1, 1802; married Camille Lyon, and lives in Ipsilanta, Mich. Children, — William, John, Eliza.

Josiah, son of Samuel and Hopestill, born about 1675; married in Marlborough, to Elizabeth Amsden, June 3, 1697. Children, — William, Joseph, John, Isaac, Jacob, David.

David, son of Josiah and Elizabeth, born June 20, 1706; married Hannah Rainsford, March 20, 1733, of Rehoboth. Children, — Ebenezer, born March 22, 1734; David, who settled in New Marlborough, Mass.; Hannah; Elizabeth, married Jonathan Alford; Josiah; Abigail; Abijah, who married Anna White, and settled in Canterbury, Conn.; Charity, married Stephen Gibbs. David died at Ellington, Conn., March 9, 1763.

Ebenezer, son of David and Hannah, born March 22, 1734; married Mary Fitch of Windsor, Conn., Dec. 6, 1759. She died Nov. 11, 1774. Married Widow Elizabeth Barret of Thompson, Conn., Nov. 1, 1781. Children, — Justus, born Oct. 17, 1760; Chloe, June 1, 1764, married Charles May, Aug. 26, 1788, died Jan. 26, 1795; Elijah Fitch, born May 11, 1767; Abner, Nov. 13, 1771; Jerusha, Aug. 10, 1775, died Sept. 4, 1777. He died March, 1818, aged eighty-four.

Elijah Fitch, son of Ebenezer and Mary, born May 13, 1767, at South Windsor; married Hannah M'Lean. Children, — Julia, born Oct. 8, 1792, married Henry Watson of South Windsor, Sept. 5, 1809; Ebenezer F., born Feb. 4, 1799, died Nov. 25, 1832; Maro M'Lean, Oct. 18, 1801; Mary Eliza, Jan. 15, 1804, died at Waverley, Ill., in 1850; Harriet S., born Feb. 12, 1806, married Hon. John Hall of Ellington, Conn., Sept. 6, 1830; Julius Alexander, born Jan. 16, 1809; Roxanna, May 14, 1810, married Stanley White, and died at Andover, Conn., Aug. 20, 1839. He practised medicine with success fifty-six years, and received a degree of M.D. from the Medical Society of Connecticut; died Sept. 9, 1847, aged eighty.

Maro M'Lean, son of Elijah F., married Elizabeth Lathrop, June 31, 1831, at Jacksonville, Ill. Children, — Harriet, born June 31, 1831; Edward, March 6, 1833; Albert, Feb. 12, 1836 (in college); Maria L., Jan. 27, 1839; Elijah F., died young; Sarah; Julia; born April 20, 1846; Henry, died; Mary Eliza, born June 25, 1849. Maro studied and practised medicine with his father, after graduating at Yale College in 1822; and took his degree of M.D. in 1826. He afterwards practised in East Windsor and Hartford, Conn., till 1830; when he removed to Jacksonville, Ill., where he is in full practice.

Josiah, son of David and Hannah, married a sister of Lieut. Pinney of Ellington. Children, — Louisa; Horace, born May 15, 1770, — a physician of much distinction, who married Betsy Welles of Glastenbury, Conn. He moved to Putnam, O., in 1814; where he died. Children, — Roswell, who died young; Lucy W., who married Robert Haslet, June 8, 1810. They live at Zanesville, O.; and have eight children.

Rev. Julius Alexander, son of Elijah F., born Jan. 16, 1809; married Caroline Blood, Dec. 1, 1835, and lives at

Davenport, Io. Children, — Anna, born —— 30, 1836; Rosanna, Aug. 11, 1839, died April 25, 1840, by being thrown from a wagon; Mary, born Feb. 9, 1843.

Arthur M., son of Deacon Abner, married Harriet, daughter of Judge Douglass of Florida; and is a banker in Jacksonville, Fla. Children, — Louisa and Harriet (twins); Maro S. Reed, married Elizabeth Loomis of Farrington, and lives at East Windsor.

5. Josiah, son of Lieut. John of Uxbridge, and Lucy, born July 23, 1753; married Elizabeth, who died at Uxbridge, 1819. He died at Westfield, Vt., in 1804. Children, — Rodolphus, born May 6, 1774, died May 16, 1841; Naomi; Lucy; Hannah; Ellen; Chloe; Abijah.

6. Rodolphus, son of Josiah, born May 6, 1774; married Sarah Hill. Children, — Lydia, born Dec. 5, 1804; John, Nov. 6, 1803, died Dec. 5, 1825; Hannah, born Oct. 7, 1805, died young; Lucy, born Aug. 27, 1807, died young; Lyman, born Dec. 25, 1809; Erastus, Dec. 17, 1811; Josiah, Jan. 18, 1813, died in 1843; Calvin, born Dec. 11, 1815; Sarah Ann, March 25, 1819; Arvilla, March 29, 1820, died in 1831; Royal, born March 28, 1822; Willard, Aug. 15, 1826.

6. Lucy, daughter of Josiah, married Erastus Burges. Children, — Patience, Hubbard, Arvilla.

6. Hannah, daughter of Josiah, married Aaron Loveland. Children, — Hannah, Alfred, Dinah, Jared, Lorin, Asher.

6. Ellen, daughter of Josiah, married Josiah Stratton. Children, — Josiah; William.

6. Chloe, daughter of Josiah, married an Underwood.

6. Abijah, married Rhoda Chapman of Grafton, Vt. He was in the war of 1812.

7. Lydia, daughter of Rodolphus, born Dec. 5, 1801; married Luther Howe, Jan. 16, 1842. Child, — Sarah A., born May 23, 1843. They live in Westfield, Vt.

7. Lyman, son of Rodolphus and Sarah, married Mehitabel Clark, and lives in Illinois.

7. Erastus, son of Rodolphus and Sarah, born Dec. 17, 1811; married Betsy Marks of Gillsum, N.H., and lives in Peterborough, N.H. Children, — James, Josiah, Mary Ann, Lizzie, George.

7. Calvin, son of Rodolphus, born Dec. 11, 1815; married Precilla G. Titus, who died Dec. 5, 1845. Married Sarah R. Young, Aug. 8, 1846. Children, — Henry D., born Nov. 27, 1847; Herbert, Sept. 26, 1849; Luther H., July 15, 1854. He lives in Westfield, Vt.

7. Sarah Ann, daughter of Rodolphus, March 25, 1819; married George Howard. Children, — George, John, Sarah. Married, for second husband, Luther Bardwell. Children, — Moses, William Wells, Melissa.

7. Royal, son of Rodolphus, born March 28, 1822; married Fanny Perkins. Children, — Lydia Ann and Asseneth. He died Aug. 21, 1851.

4. Silas, is undoubtedly a descendant of Josiah of Ellington, Conn.; but I am not able to state which of Josiah's sons is his immediate ancestor. He married Mary Wallace, and settled in Ellington, Conn. Children, — Jacob, born at Ellington, Oct. 23, 1775; Abraham; Polly; Lydia; Charles; Timothy; Silance; Silas. The elder Silas died in 1789. His widow married John H. Goodrich, Esq., Sept. 26, 1793; moved to Ohio, and the children of Silas Read went with them, some fifty years since. They were a talented and respectable family.

5. Abraham, son of Silas, married, and moved to Rootstown, O., when there were but four families in that town, in 1804; had four sons. His son Otis Reed, Esq., is Postmaster of Rootstown. Abraham died Jan. 7, 1849, aged seventy-two years.

5. Jacob, son of Silas and Mary, born Oct. 23, 1775; mar-

ried Chloe Hitchcock in Ellington, Dec. 24, 1800; went with his brother to Rootstown, and from there to St. Louis in 1816, where he built and ran the first steamboat that ever went to St. Louis. He died in New Orleans in 1820.

5. Timothy, son of Silas and Mary, moved to Ohio, and died there about the year 1838.

5. Charles, son of Silas and Mary, went to Ohio; lives in Deerfield, and is the only survivor of the family of Silas.

6. Benjamin, son of Benjamin and Betty, lived at one time in Franklin, Vt.; and had William Harlow, who lives in East Fairfield, Vt.; Josiah, who lives in Cleveland, O.; Luman, deceased; Leonard, born in Franklin, Jan. 24, 1820. Married Mary Loverin, July 18, 1850. Child, — Charles L., born June 18, 1851. Mary, the wife of Leonard, died October, 1851. Married Rebecca Gallop, Sept. 4, 1853. Child, — Mary A., born April 21, 1857.

Abijah, son of David, married Anna White, and lived at Canterbury, Conn. He was an officer in the Revolutionary War, and was imprisoned in the Jersey-prison ship. He was exchanged, and died soon after returning home. Children, — Nancy, who married Stephen Cole of Manchester, Conn.; Augusta; Eliphalet; Reuben; and two daughters. His widow married a Chapin of South Windsor.

Abner, son of Ebenezer and Mary, born Nov. 11, 1772; married Elizabeth Loring, April 9, 1795, and settled in South Windsor. Children, — Elizabeth, who died young; Jane Anne Maria, married Edward Bossill, and is now living at Toledo, O.; Abner L.; Charlotte Sophia, who married Samuel Stiles of Brooklyn, N.Y.; Waldo R., who died at Genesee, N.Y.; Arthur M. Deacon Abner now lives in Conneant, O.

Abner L., son of Abner and Elizabeth, born at South Windsor, Conn.; lives at Connaught; married Abigail Tudor. Children, — Sophia; Arthur.

Arthur M., son of Abner and Elizabeth, married Miss Douglass, and lives at Jacksonville.

Justus, son of Ebenezer and Mary, born June 1, 1764; married Sarah Steel, who died July 15, 1790. Married, for second wife, Lucina Elmore. Married, for third wife, Widow Lydia Burnham. Children, — Polly, born Dec. 17, 1781, married E. Loomis of Torrington, Conn.; Jerusha, born Nov. 23, 1783, married Mr. Moulton of Castleton, Vt., and lives in St. Louis, Mo.; Sarah, born Oct. 26, 1785, married Phineas Blodget of East Windsor; Ann, April 25, 1787; Selima, who married Mr. Bissil of East Windsor, Conn.; Justus C., born Aug. 31, 1792; Chloe, born Jan. 28, 1795, died at East Hartford in 1857; Celima, born 1849, died Nov. 20, 1849; and Emily, who married a Nettleton. He served in the Revolutionary War, and died in Torrington, Conn., at the age of eighty-four.

Justus C., son of Justus, has a son John, who is a dentist in Hartford, Conn.; also Waldo and Maro.

2. John, son of John of Rehoboth, born at Braintree, Aug. 29, 1640; married Rachal. Children, — Sarah, born Dec. 14, 1664, died 1675; Mehitabel, born April 13, 1667; John, Dec. 8, 1669; Thomas, July 23, 1672. The elder John was killed by the Indians, March 21, 1776, at Pierce's Fight. He had been quite a prominent man, and was distinguished by the appellation of "Mr."

3. John, son of John, 2d, and Rachal, born Dec. 8, 1669; married Sarah. Children, — John, born Nov. 11, 1695; Moses, May 14, 1698; Timothy, July 11, 1699; Sarah, March 24, 1702; Obediah, Jan. 10, 1705; Daniel, Nov. 2, 1710, died Nov. 3, 1710. Married, for second wife, Elizabeth. Children, — Patience, born Aug. 1, 1715; Rachal, April 14, 1717; Patience, Oct. 15, 1719. The elder John died in 1752.

4. John, son of John, born Oct. 11, 1695; married Chisi-

beth Dere, Sept. 6, 1714. Children, — Rachal, born June 2, 1720; John, May 3, 1722; Elizabeth, July 10, 1725.

5. John, son of John, born May 3, 1722; married Judith. Children, — David, born at Warren, R.I., July 10, 1748; Judith, May 5, 1753; John, Oct. 11, 1758, died young. The elder John died in 1759, and had been a sea-captain.

6. David, son of John, born at Warren, R.I., July 10, 1748; married Mary. Children, — John, born at Barrington, March 3, 1778, died young; Eliza, March 12, 1791, married Green Marshall.

3. Thomas, son of John, 2d, born at Rehoboth, July 23, 1672; married Sarah Butterworth, June 21, 1699. Child, — Patience, born at Rehoboth, April 16, 1708. Married Martha for second wife. Children, — Thomas, born March 10, 1712; Martha, Nov. 4, 1715; Noah, Dec. 26, 1717; Hannah, June 18, 1720; Sarah, Dec. 12, 1722; Peter, Dec. 26, 1724. Thomas died Nov. 25, 1748.

4. Thomas, son of Thomas and Martha, born at Rehoboth, March 10, 1712; married Bethsheba. Children, — Lois, born at Rehoboth, May 27, 1741; Sarah, May 30, 1743; Bethsheba, Sept. 1, 1745; Orinda, May 15, 1747; Huldah, Aug. 11, 1752; Hannah, Aug. 28, 1754.

2. Thomas, son of John, 1st, of Rehoboth, born at Braintree, Nov. 9, 1641; married Elizabeth Clark, March 29, 1665. Children, — Sarah, born March 10, 1666; Elizabeth, Jan. 25, 1668; Mary, April 11, 1670; James, July 6, 1672. His wife died Feb. 21, 1675. Married Annie Perrin for second wife, June 16, 1675. Children, — John, who died Oct. 25, 1676; Thomas, born March 25, 1678; Nathaniel and Mehitabel, Sept. 22, 1680; Hannah, April 12, 1682; Martha, April 3, 1689. He was in King Philip's War, and his house was made a depository for arms. He died Feb. 6, 1696; and his gravestone is standing near that of his father's, and is inscribed "T. R., D. Feb. 6, 1695–6:" and

the gravestone of his wife Elizabeth, inscribed "E. R., ag. 32; D. F. 1675." He is probably the Thomas taken by Indians at Hadley in the beginning of 1676; but of this there is no positive proof.

3. James, son of Thomas and Elizabeth, born at Rehoboth, July 6, 1672; married Mercy Cooper, Jan. 7, 1697. Children, — Elizabeth, born at Rehoboth, May 29, 1699; James, April 14, 1701, died April, 1725. Married Mary for second wife. Children, — Mercy, born May 25, 1706; Susanna, March 21, 1709; Aaron, April 10, 1710; Hannah, Oct. 11, 1712; Nathan, May 4, 1715; Jonathan, April 22, 1717, died May 1, 1717; David, April 22, 1717, died June 12, 1717. James died March 8, 1732.

4. James, son of James and Mercy, born April 14, 1701; died April, 1726. Children, — James, born in 1724; Stephen, in 1726.

5. James, son of James and Mercy, born in 1724. Children, — Hopestill, born in 1762; Ephraim and Lucy (twins), 1764; James, 1765; Leafe, 1772; Elizabeth, 1776; Freelove, 1781.

4. Stephen, son of James and Mercy, born in 1726. Children, — Samuel, born in 1757; Prudence, 1758; Hannah, 1760; Esther, 1762; David, 1764; Abigail, 1767.

5. Samuel, son of Stephen, born in 1757. Children, — Stephen, born in 1781; Polly, 1783; Sally, 1785; Hannah, 1787; Mason, 1789; Samuel, 1791; Anna, 1794; Priscilla, 1796; Serena, 1800.

Mason, son of Stephen, born in 1789. Children, — Pamelia M., born in 1816; Hiram S., 1818; Lorenzo H., 1819; William M., 1821; Elmira, 1825; Delia A., 1827; Elizabeth, 1828; Emily, 1830; Amanda, 1836.

Hiram S., son of Mason, born in 1800. Children, — Catherine, born in 1845; Jaletta, 1848; Frank, 1851; Anna, 1853.

William M., son of Mason, born in 1821. Child, — Ella W., born in 1847.

6. Samuel, son of Samuel, born in 1791. Children, — Andrew, born in 1815; Mary A., 1817; Julius, 1819; Nelson, 1821; Hannah, 1823; Ann M., 1825.

7. Nelson, son of Samuel, born in 1821. Child, — Samuel, born in 1846.

Jonathan, son of James and Mary, born in 1717. Children, — Noah, born in 1740; Abel, 1746; Silence, 1752.

Noah, son of Jonathan, born in 1740. Children, — Hannah, born in 1762; Dorcas, 1764; Huldah, 1766; Abial, 1768; David, 1771.

Nathaniel, son of Thomas, born at Rehoboth, March 30, 1680; married Elizabeth French, July 8, 1709. Children, — Samuel, born at Rehoboth, Aug. 12, 1710; Nathaniel, Oct. 25, 1712, died Nov. 7, 1732; Moses, born Dec. 17, 1716; Ephraim, April 5, 1723; Ezra, March 18, 1729.

Samuel, son of Nathaniel and Elizabeth, born Aug. 12, 1710; married Patience Chaffee, Feb. 28, 1724. Children, — Nathaniel, born May 31, 1735; Samuel, Oct. 11, 1736, died Sept. 8, 1765; Mary, born Feb. 13, 1738; David, Oct. 5, 1742; Jessie, July 8, 1744; Zachariah, Sept. 8, 1746; Patience, Jan. 22, 1748; Experience, April 19, 1755.

Nathaniel, son of Samuel and Patience, born May 31, 1735; married Huldah Carpenter. Children, — Nathaniel, born at Attleborough, Oct. 21, 1760; Huldah; Dillie, born at Rehoboth, Feb. 8, 1765; Hepsah, Oct. 30, 1766; Samuel, May 7, 1769; Obadiah, Feb. 14, 1771; Daniel, June 25, 1773; Esther, May 3, 1775.

Nathaniel, son of Nathaniel and Huldah, born Oct. 21, 1760; married Anna. Children, — Nancy, born at Rehoboth, March 6, 1783; Daniel, Oct. 24, 1784; Nathaniel, Aug. 18, 1786; Huldah, June 12, 1789; Fanny, Dec. 10, 1791; Lucy, July 19, 1794; Barsheba, Oct. 23, 1797.

Nathaniel, son of Nathaniel and Ann, born Aug. 18, 1786; married Sally Crossman. Children, — Sally E., born at Seekonk, Dec. 7, 1814; Gilbert, Oct. 30, 1816; Henry, Sept. 20, 1818; Horatio N., Nov. 23, 1820; Mary Ann, Dec. 26, 1822, who married John B. Humphrey; Lewis Lafayette, Dec. 4, 1824; George Bradford, June 23, 1828. Married, for second wife, Philena Perrin. Child, — David P., June 21, 1837.

Gilbert, son of Nathaniel and Sally, born at Seekonk, Oct. 30, 1816; married Almira Budlong. Children, — George Edward, born at Pawtucket, April 9, 1844; Frederick P., March 16, 1847; Anna Budlong, Aug. 13, 1848.

Horatio N., son of Nathaniel and Sally, born at Seekonk, Nov. 23, 1820; married Susan Sunderland. Children, — Arthur W., born at North Providence, May 22, 1846; Eugene H., Jan. 2, 1848; Georgiana, Dec. 18, 1850, died in 1852.

4. Ezra, son of Nathaniel and Elizabeth, born March 18, 1724; married Joanna Read, Aug. 24, 1750. Child, — Deborah, born at Attleborough, Aug. 2, 1756.

Zachary, son of Samuel and Patience, born at Rehoboth, Sept. 8, 1746; married in Wrentham to Lois Mann, Nov. 23, 1775. Children, — John, born at Wrentham, Jan. 11, 1777; Lois, Oct. 29, 1778; Polly, Oct. 1, 1780; Thomas, Jan. 26, 1783; Harvey, who died June 10, 1747. Zachary died at Wrentham, May 7, 1808. His wife died May 7, 1824.

John, son of Zachary, born at Wrentham, Jan. 11, 1777; married Lydia Davis. Children, — Charles Jones, born at Wrentham, Jan. 30, 1807; Loisa Davis, Oct. 12, 1808; Daniel Davis, June 1, 1810. John married, for second wife, Catherine Murphey, Nov. 5, 1848; and lives in Attleborough.

Charles J., son of John and Lydia, born at Wrentham, Jan. 30, 1807; married Pamelia Vose of Foxborough, Dec. 2, 1830, and lives in Foxborough.

Daniel D., son of John and Lydia, born at Wrentham, June 1, 1810; married Miranda White, Nov. 27, 1839, and lives in Attleborough. Child, — Daniel D., born at Wrentham, Jan. 16, 1845.

Jesse, son of Samuel and Patience, born at Rehoboth, July 8, 1744; married in Wrentham, Dec. 3, 1772, to Esther Puffer. Children, — Jesse, born at Wrentham, July 2, 1776; Esther, May 23, 1787. His wife died, and he married Susanna, who died July 1, 1799.

David, son of Samuel and Patience, born Oct. 5, 1742. Children, — Betty, born in 1774; Zaliome, 1777; Alice, 1780; William, 1782.

7. Lewis L., son of Nathaniel and Sally, born at Seekonk, Dec. 4, 1824; married Eliza Brown. Children, — Samuel, born at Seekonk, Oct. 31, 1852; Herman, Feb. 9, 1855; Emma, born Sept. 19, 1856; Martha, Dec. 17, 1857.

7. George B., son of Nathaniel and Sally, born at Seekonk, June 23, 1828; married Amelia. Child, — George Francis, born in New-York City, February, 1858.

4. Noah, son of Thomas and Martha, born at Rehoboth, Dec. 26, 1717; married Anna Hunt. Children, — Peter, born at Rehoboth, Nov. 20, 1742, died; Martha, born May 2, 1744; Noah, Feb. 19, 1746; Perez, Aug. 4, 1748; Cyrel, Sept. 20, 1750, died; Thomas, Dec. 25, 1752; Anna, May 29, 1755; Judith, July 20, 1758; William, Oct. 12, 1760; Lois, Dec. 23, 1762. The elder Noah died Oct. 14, 1773.

5. Perez, son of Noah and Anna, born at Rehoboth, Aug. 4, 1748; married Mary Paine, Jan. 9, 1777; and Synthia Carpenter for second wife. Children, — Anna, born at Rehoboth in 1777, and married Samuel Allen; Noah, born in 1780; Perez, 1791; Cyrel, 1805.

6. Perez, son of Perez, born at Rehoboth in 1791; married Eunice Briggs. Child, — Eunice B., born at Seekonk, April 24, 1818, and married Daniel Ide.

6. Cyrel, son of Perez, born at Rehoboth in 1805; married Sarah Wheaton. Children, — Elizabeth, born at Seekonk in 1823, and married John A. Wood; Martha, born in 1825, married Noah Bliss; Sarah, born 1826; Perez W., 1828; Theofoles H., 1830; Cyrel, 1832, died; William Noah, born 1834, died; Lucius W., born 1836; James N., 1838; Louisa E., 1843; Charles R., 1845; Eunice, 1847.

6. Noah, son of Perez, born in 1780; married Betsy. Children, — Mary Ann, born at Seekonk, Sept. 28, 1806; Elizabeth L., born Feb. 11, 1808; Cynthia, March 14, 1810; Sarah Ann, Nov. 14, 1815; Harriet B., April 22, 1822.

5. William, son of Noah and Anna, born at Rehoboth, Oct. 12, 1760. Children, — William, born in 1791; Zacheus, 1794; Anne, 1796. This family went West.

5. Noah, son of Noah and Anna, born Feb. 19, 1746; married Fear, daughter of Obediah Read, Jan. 28, 1773. Children, — Abial, born at Rehoboth, Oct. 24, 1773, died March 18, 1775; Noah, born April 20, 1775, died Jan. 13, 1777.

7. Theofoles H., son of Cyrell, born at Rehoboth, Sept. 17, 1832; married Sarah J. Leonardson.

4. Aaron, son of James, born at Rehoboth, April 10, 1710; married Tabatha Chaffee, Dec. 20, 1733. Children, — Aaron, born at Rehoboth, Nov. 14, 1734; Susanna, Oct. 29, 1737; Jonathan, Aug. 23, 1739; Simeon, June 7, 1743; Amos, April 27, 1745.

5. Simeon, son of Aaron and Tabatha, born at Rehoboth, Nov. 14, 1734; married Elizabeth. Children, — Cynthia, born Nov. 12, 1768; Sarah, Oct. 16, 1770; Aaron, Jan. 29, 1773; Susanna, Dec. 23, 1774; Simeon, Sept. 22, 1776, died Aug. 15, 1778; Elizabeth, Nov. 15, 1778; Hannah, Nov. 15, 1782; Olive, Nov. 20, 1783; Orinda, June 25, 1786.

6. Aaron, son of Simeon and Elizabeth, born at Rehoboth,

Jan. 29, 1773; married Naomi. Children, — Lorenzo, born at Rehoboth, Sept. 20, 1807; Cynthia, Feb. 1, 1809.

5. Aaron, son of Aaron and Tabatha, born Nov. 14, 1734; married Hannah Carpenter, Jan. 25, 1757. Child, — Ephraim, born at Rehoboth, April 10, 1757.

Daniel Reed, born in Somers, Conn., Dec. 9, 1752; was probably of the Rehoboth stock; but his genealogy is not traced. He died in 1840, leaving a son (William W.), who was born in Andover, Conn., Oct. 31, 1787, and lives in Albany, N.Y. He married Lydia Rathbone of Salem, Conn., Nov. 17, 1819. Children, — Henry, born in Andover, Feb. 23, 1821, and lives in Paris, France; Edward, May 22, 1822, who married Fanny Miller, and lives in St. Louis, Mo.; Joel R., Feb. 24, 1829.

Joel, son of William W., born at Andover, Conn., Feb. 24, 1829; married Marianna Townsend, April 19, 1855, and lives in Albany. Children, — William H., born May 7, 1856; Edward T., Nov. 9, 1857.

4. Timothy, son of John, born at Rehoboth, July 16, 1699; married Joanna. Children, — William, born June 18, 1724; Joanna, April 5, 1725; Timothy, April 24, 1732; Kesiah, Nov. 8, 1734; Sarah, June 1, 1737; Rachel, Dec. 21, 1739; Daniel, Feb. 7, 1742; Theodore, Aug. 24, 1745; Huldah, Dec. 21, 1748. The elder Timothy died May 8, 1781.

5. Timothy, son of Timothy, born at Rehoboth, April 24, 1732; married Martha Pidge. Children, — Obadiah, born at Rehoboth, July 24, 1761, died Jan. 31, 1762; Joel, born Dec. 2, 1762; John, Feb. 10, 1765; Sabrina, June 4, 1767; Rachel, May 25, 1769, married Asa Hills of Swansey, N.H.; Josiah P., born April 28, 1772; Benjamin, May 3, 1774; Robert, March 30, 1776, settled in Shrewsbury, Vt., but finally moved to the State of New York, where he brought up a large family; Martha, born Oct. 11, 1778, married

Josiah P. Harvey, and is now living in Shrewsbury, Vt.; Timothy, born in Swansey; Betsy, May 24, 1781, married Sebra Aldrich, and settled in Shrewsbury, Vt. The elder Timothy served in the Revolutionary War in 1775 and '6. In 1779, he set out with an ox-team to convey his family to Swansey. He arrived there in ten days, and settled in the east part of the town, which was at that time a perfect wilderness. He died in March, 1808. His wife died Jan. 30, 1812.

5. Daniel, son of Timothy and Joanna, born at Rehoboth, Feb. 7, 1742; married Huldah. Children, — Lydia, born at Rehoboth, May 6, 1769; Nancy, Jan. 5, 1771; Abel, Sept. 28, 1772; Betty, Sept. 30, 1774; Ezra, Sept. 7, 1777; Williams, Sept. 29, 1781.

6. Josiah P., son of Timothy and Martha, born at Rehoboth, April 8, 1772, and settled in Swansey, N.H.; married Mary Forbes. Children, — Josiah M.; Maria, who married Joseph Reed of Rutland; William; Malinda, who married a Sargeant, and lives in Unionville; Benjamin; Mary Ann, who married C. Parker, and lives in Unionville; Edwin. Josiah P. is now living, and enjoying vigorous health, at the age of eighty-eight years.

7. Josiah M., son of Josiah P., married Martha Carter, and does business at No. 31, Union Street, Boston. Child, — Helen. He married, for second wife, Eliza S. Newman in Boston, June 26, 1842. Children, — Josiah C., Georgianna, Emma.

6. Joel, son of Timothy and Martha, born at Rehoboth, Dec. 6, 1762; married Judith Mears, and settled in the south part of Swansey, N.H. Children, — Sabrina, Betsy, and Hannah, who live in Lowell; Judith, who married a Deary, and lives in Athol; Joel; Lucinda, who married Lyman Parker, Esq., and lives in Swansey. The elder Joel died Jan. 22, 1812: his wife died Jan. 22, 1829.

6. Timothy, son of Timothy and Martha, settled in Swansey, N.H., and had Abel, Timothy, John, Daniel, Lucy, Charles, and Rawson.

6. John, son of Timothy and Martha, born at Rehoboth, Feb. 10, 1765; married Lucy Warner, and settled in the east part of Swansey. Children, — Abel Warner, born Nov. 4, 1796; Timothy, 1798; Edward; a daughter, who lives in Hartford, Conn.; John, born May 3, 1800, lives in Fitzwilliam, N.H.; Daniel, born April 1, 1803, who lives in Keene; Charles, born in 1805; Rawson, who lives in Hartford, Conn. The elder John died June 3, 1813: his wife died Dec. 3, 1846.

6. Benjamin, son of Timothy and Martha, born at Rehoboth, May 3, 1774; married Phebe Farnsworth, and settled in Shrewsbury, Vt. His wife died soon after the marriage, and he died while on a visit to his friends in Swansey in 1812.

7. Abel Warner, son of John and Lucy, born at Swansey, N.H., Nov. 4, 1796; married Sylvia Graves, and lives upon the old homestead. Children, — Abel Graves and G. H.

8. Abel G., son of Abel W. and Sylvia, married Hannah P. Marsh, and lives with his father.

7. Timothy, son of John and Lucy, born at Swansey, N.H., in June, 1798; married Eunice Kelley, and settled in Danby. Children, — Timothy; Edward; and two daughters, one of whom is deaf, dumb, and blind, yet is able to do many kinds of work, and cultivates a flower-garden in good taste; she is also an expert at knitting. The elder Timothy died in February, 1847 or '8.

7. John, son of John and Lucy, born at Swansey, N.H., May 3, 1800; married Eliza Baker, and settled in Fitzwilliam. He has a family of children, whose names are not given. His wife died in March, 1849.

7. Charles, son of John and Lucy, born at Swansey, N.H.,

October, 1805; married Kesiah Ripley, and settled in Hartford, Conn.

William, son of Josiah P. and Mary, married Susan Whitcomb, and lives in Swansey. Child, — Joel.

8. Joel, son of William and Susan, married Helen Wright, and has one son.

7. Benjamin, son of Josiah P. and Mary, married Deborah Ballou, and lives in Unionville, Swansey.

7. Edwin, son of Josiah P. and Mary, married a Stone, and lives in West Swansey. They have one daughter.

7. Maria, daughter of Josiah P. and Mary, married Joseph Reed of Rutland, Mass. (for their children, see Joseph Reed, son of Jeremiah). She married, for second husband, a Mr. Wilde of Boston; and now lives in New-York City.

4. Obadiah, son of John, born at Rehoboth, Jan. 10, 1705; married Ruth Smith, Jan. 15, 1730. Children, — Anna, born at Rehoboth, Dec. 7, 1730; Sarah, Nov. 1, 1732; Ruth, Feb. 1, 1734; Abial, April 13, 1737; Martha, April 6, 1739; Molly, Aug. 15, 1741; Ama, May 21, 1744; Lydia, Aug. 12, 1746; Fear, Feb. 18, 1748.

5. Abial, son of Obadiah and Ruth, born at Rehoboth, April 13, 1737; married Lydia White. Child, — Luther, born at Attleborough in 1762.

6. Abel, son of Daniel and Huldah, born at Rehoboth, Sept. 28, 1772; married Sarah Carpenter. Children, — Lyman; William; Stephen G.; Cyrus; Abby J., who married Horatio N. Angell; Sarah A., who married a Johnson; Nancy A.; Betsy, who married Remember Carpenter of Pawtucket. Abel married Lydia Wood for second wife. Children, — Ezra, Mary, Huldah. He married Patience Chase for third wife. Child, — Abel, of Pawtucket.

7. Ezra, son of Abel, married Alice Slater, and lives in Blackstone.

7. Stephen G., son of Abel, married Mrs. Hannah Leach

at Thompson, Conn., Nov. 14, 1852. Child, — William Abel, born at Wrentham, Jan. 7, 1854. They live in Walpole.

7. Abel, son of Abel, born in 1821. Children, — Henry F., born in 1846; Frederick A., 1847; Delos L., 1850; Ormond F., 1852; Ella M., 1857.

5. Thomas, son of Noah and Anna, born at Rehoboth, Dec. 25, 1752; married Hannah Bourne. Children, born at Rehoboth, — William, October, 1785; Francis, Aug. 3, 1787, died in 1814; Betsy, born October, 1789, died in 1847; Thomas, April 28, 1791; Samuel, April 3, 1794; Noah, July 25, 1796; John B., May, 1799, died 1848. The elder Thomas died at Rehoboth in 1816.

6. William, son of Thomas and Hannah, born at Rehoboth in October, 1785; married Sarah Rogers. Children, — Peter, born at Somerset in 1810; Hannah, 1813, married James Stone; Thomas, born in 1815, died; William, 1817; Francis B., 1819; Joseph R., 1821; Julia Ann, 1823. He lives in Fall River.

7. Francis B., son of William, born at Somerset in 1819; married Mary Brayton. Children, — Benjamin B., born at Fall River in 1851; Francis, 1853; Herbert, 1856. They live at Fall River.

7. William, son of William, born at Somerset in 1817; married Amanda Snow. Children, — Thomas, born at Fall River in 1841; Francis, 1843, drowned in 1851; Julia A., born in 1845; Frederick, 1848. Lives at Fall River. He is, or has been, one of the city police.

6. Francis, son of Thomas and Hannah, born at Rehoboth, Aug. 3, 1787; married Nancy Church. Child, — Mary C., born at Seekonk, March 17, 1811, died in 1851. He lived in Seekonk, and died in 1814.

6. Noah, son of Thomas and Hannah, born at Rehoboth, July 25, 1796. Child, — Josephus F., born at Seekonk,

Sept. 28, 1823, who married Maria Hardy. Child, — Josephus, born at Seekonk, July 25, 1849.

7. Josephus F., son of Noah, born at Seekonk in 1823; married Maria Hardy, and has gone to California. Child, — Josephus F., born at Seekonk, July 25, 1849.

6. John B., son of Thomas and Hannah, born at Rehoboth, May, 1799; married Seulah Boyd. Child, — Albert L., born at Seekonk, Feb. 2, 1825.

7. Albert L., son of John B. and Seulah, born at Seekonk Feb. 9, 1825; married Charlotte at Parmenter, and lives at Pawtucket. Children, — Frank A., born at Pawtucket, May 27, 1851; Sarah S., Sept. 7, 1853; Clara A., Oct. 2, 1855.

7. Thomas, son of Noah, had a son Thomas, born at Seekonk, Jan. 13, 1822; married Anna Hall of Uxbridge, Mass., and lives in Providence.

2. Daniel, son of John, 1st, of Rehoboth, born at Rehoboth, March, 1655; married Hannah Peck, Aug. 20, 1677. Children, — Hannah, born at Rehoboth, June 30, 1678, and married Daniel Taft of Mendon, July 28, 1703; Daniel, born Jan. 30, 1680; John, Feb. 25, 1681, died March 1, 1683; Sarah, born April 5, 1684; Noah, May 17, 1687, died Oct 20, 1710; Abigail, born June 5, 1690. The elder Daniel died Oct. 17, 1710.

3. Daniel, son of Daniel and Hannah, born at Rehoboth, Jan. 20, 1680; married Elizabeth Bosworth. Children, — Beriah, born at Rehoboth, Oct. 29, 1707; Ichabod, Oct. 8, 1708; Hannah, Feb. 5, 1709; Abigail, April 29, 1709, and died young; Esther, born July 1, 1712; Daniel, Sept. 7, 1713. Married, for second wife, Elizabeth Ide, Dec. 8, 1715. Children, — Daniel, born at Attleborough, Dec. 3, 1716; Noah, Dec. 17, 1718; Elizabeth, April 2, 1721; Samuel, May 18, 1823, died 1823; Abigail, born April 4, 1725; Daniel, 1726; Rachel, June 10, 1728; Benjamin, Aug. 21,

1730; Ebenezer, 1733; Thankful, May 12, 1737. He was known as Capt. Read.

4. Daniel, son of Daniel and Elizabeth, born at Attleborough, Dec. 3, 1716; married Mary White. Children, — Matthew, born at Rehoboth, July 23, 1742; Hannah, June 26, 1744, died in 1822; Mary, Jan. 29, 1747, and died in 1847; Daniel, June 9, 1749; Peter, July 6, 1751; Joel, Aug. 16, 1753; Eunice, Sept. 21, 1755; Daniel, 1757; Ezra, May 2, 1760; Levi, Aug. 23, 1762; William, Dec. 27, 1764. The elder Daniel of this family was known, as was his father, by the appellation of "Captain."

4. Ichabod, son of Daniel and Elizabeth, born at Rehoboth, Oct. 8, 1708; married Elizabeth Chaffee. Children, — Ichabod, born at Attleborough, Jan. 15, 1735; Patience, Aug. 2, 1737; Amos, May 1, 1739; Daniel, Aug. 12, 1743; Olive, April 11, 1746; Ichabod, March 2, 1750; Jonathan, Aug. 8, 1752. Married, for second wife, Elizabeth Robinson. Children, — Ebenezer, born July 7, 1757; Dan, Feb. 7, 1766; Sarah, April 13, 1768, married Moses Thatcher; Lemuel, born Feb. 1, 1771; Asareel, July, 1773, lived and died on the homestead in Attleborough.

5. Amos, son of Ichabod and Elizabeth, born May 1, 1739, at Attleborough; married Mary Ide. Children, — Hannah, born at Attleborough, Feb. 6, 1772; Arnon, Nov. 9, 1773; David, March 1, 1776; Amos, May 9, 1778. He died in 1779.

6. David, son of Amos and Mary, born at Attleborough, March 1, 1776; married Rebecca Pachodie of Providence. Children, — Horace, born at Providence in 1806; Mary Ann; Eliza, who died young; Rebecca P.; Francis, born 1810; Jane; Eliza Lee; Alden P.; Cynthia P., born in Attleborough.

7. Francis, son of David and Rebecca, born in 1810; married Mary Jewett of Rowley. Children, — Mary R.,

born at Providence, 1835; Francis J., 1837; Sarah R.; Harriet C.; Willie C.; Webster; Payson. Francis is a dealer in paper-hangings in Providence.

6. Amos, son of Amos and Mary, born at Attleborough, May 9, 1778; married Caroline Bowers. Children, — Mary, born at Attleborough, Aug. 26, 1806; Hannah, Feb. 7, 1808, married William Burroughs; Caroline M., Oct. 30, 1815; William B., Jan. 6, 1810; Anthony S., Jan. 18, 1812, died 1813; Caroline M., Oct. 30, 1815.

7. William B., son of Amos and Caroline, born at Attleborough, Jan. 6, 1810; married Esther Coburn. Child, — Willie Coburn, born at Pawtucket, July 30, 1850; died in 1854.

5. Jonathan, son of Ichabod and Elizabeth, born at Rehoboth, Aug. 8, 1752; married Dorothy Blake. Children, — John, born at Falmouth, Me., in 1787; Abigail, 1789; Rufus, 1793; Samuel, 1797, married his cousin Betsy, daughter of Lemuel; Amos, born Oct. 18, 1796; Eliza, 1799; John B., born at Freeport, Dec. 2, 1801; Daniel B., Jan. 1, 1803; Mary Ann, 1806, married a Bracket; Louisa, born in 1808.

6. Daniel B., son of Jonathan and Dorothy, born at Freeport, Me., Jan. 1, 1803; married Submit, daughter of Oliver Read of Lewiston, and lives in Lewiston, Me.

7. Horace, son of David and Rebecca, born at Providence in 1806; married Charlotte Wood of Swansey. Children, — Georgianna D., born at Providence in 1842; Horace F., 1845.

6. Rufus, son of Jonathan and Dorothy, born in Falmouth, Me., in 1793; married Nancy P. Bailey. Children, — George S., born Sept. 21, 1815; Ervin, April 11, 1817; Amos, Feb. 5, 1819; Albert, Feb. 22, 1821, died Sept. 5, 1849; Frances A., born Feb. 27, 1823; Mary E., Aug. 8, 1825, died Jan. 15, 1850; Leonard B., born July 16, 1827,

lives in California; Abba B., born June 28, 1831; Martha J., July 31, 1835. They live in Westbrook, Me.

7. George S., son of Rufus and Nancy, born Sept. 21, 1815; married Jennett Estis. Children, — Frederick, born 1854; Ida, 1856; Abba E., 1858. They live in Gorham, Me.

7. Ervin, son of Rufus and Nancy, born April 11, 1817; married Caroline Cotton. Children, — Sewell B., born 1824; Charles, 1828.

7. Abba B., daughter of Rufus and Nancy, born June 28, 1831; married Nathaniel Small. Children, — Charles M., born in 1854; Frederick, 1857.

7. Amos, son of Rufus and Nancy, born Feb. 5, 1819; married Sarah Knight. Children, — Charles Read, Daniel Knight, Frances C., Leonard Read, George Read, E. Read, Sumner Read.

7. Frances A., daughter of Rufus and Nancy, born Feb. 27, 1823; married George L. Walker. Child, — Frederick, born in 1841.

6. Amos M., son of Jonathan and Dorothy, born at Falmouth, Oct. 18, 1796; married Mary Drown. Child, — Augustus, born at North Providence, June 1, 1822; died in 1840. Married Mary E. Underwood for second wife. Children, — Henry Clay, born June 25, 1831; Joseph M., May 11, 1832; Harriet N., Feb. 20, 1835, married Frederick Bates; Amos Theodore, born Sept. 25, 1838; Walter B., July 18, 1820, died; Charles N., Nov. 29, 1845, died in 1846. Amos M. is a hardware dealer in Pawtucket.

6. John B., son of Jonathan and Dorothy, born at Falmouth, Me., June 2, 1801; married Jane Ingraham. Children, — Mary D., born at Pawtucket, June 7, 1829, and married Edward Lefavour. John B. is a hardware dealer in Pawtucket, and is known as Gen. Read.

7. Henry C., son of Amos M., born at North Providence,

Jan. 25, 1831; married Eliza Douglass. Children, — Carrie A., born at North Providence, September, 1852; Hattie U., October, 1855. They live at Pawtucket.

7. Joseph M., son of Amos M. and Mary, born at North Providence, May 11, 1832; married Frances E. Richer. Children, — Charles M., born at North Providence, Sept. 12, 1855; Fanny L., Feb. 12, 1858. They live at Pawtucket.

7. Arnan, son of Amos and Caroline, born at Attleborough, May 9, 1773; married Mary Cushman. Children, — George A., born at Attleborough, Jan. 26, 1808; Joseph T., March 20, 1812; Lewis L., March 17, 1815; Samuel, Nov. 28, 1819.

4. Ebenezer, son of Daniel and Elizabeth, born at Rehoboth, 1733; married in Windsor, Conn., Dec. 6, 1759, to Mary Fitch. Children, — Justus, born Oct. 17, 1760; Chloe, born at Windsor, June 1, 1764; Elijah Fitch, May 11, 1767.

4. David, son of Daniel and Elizabeth, born at Rehoboth in 1726; married Hannah. Child, — Elizabeth, born at Windsor, Conn., May 26, 1751.

5. Dan, son of Ichabod and Elizabeth, born at Attleborough, Feb. 7, 1766; married Susan Hart, and settled in Vassalborough, Me.; but moved from there to Lewiston, where he was postmaster forty years. He was also a selectman many years. Children, — Martha, who married Richard D. Harris of Lewiston; Samuel, who married Huldah Nash of Lewiston; John P., who married Betsy, daughter of Ichabod Reed (they being first cousins); Sarah, who married John Nash; Lois; Jacob, born 1795, married Maria Goff; Stephen H., married Rachel Brown; Amaziah, married Margaret Randall; Joseph F., married Mary Sturgis; Lemuel, married Eleaner Russell; Deborah, who died young; Mary, who married Jonathan Raynes.

5. Ichabod, son of Ichabod and Elizabeth, born March 2,

1750. Children, — Betsy, who married Capt. John P., son of Lemuel Reed ; Oliver, who married Catherine Hart ; Ichabod ; Russell, who married a Sprague ; Nancy, who married an Austin.

5. Lemuel, son of Ichabod and Elizabeth, born Feb. 1, 1771 ; married Mary Hart, and settled in Vassalborough, Me., with his brother Dan. Their wives were sisters, and they occupied one house together many years. He afterwards moved to Lewiston, as did his brother Dan. Children, — Charles T., born at Vassalborough, Oct. 8, 1795 ; Betsy, who married Samuel, son of Jonathan Reed of Falmouth, Me., her first cousin ; Patience, who married William Webster of New Gloucester ; Abigail, married Frederick Dana ; Susanna, married Enos Dunham of Falmouth ; Jane, married Amasa Storer of North Yarmouth ; Syntha, married George Bean of Lewiston.

6. Charles T., son of Lemuel and Mary, born at Vassalborough, March 8, 1795 ; married Syntha Swift of Livermore. Children, — Mary Jane, born at Lewis, Sept. 24, 1827 ; Amanda F., Feb. 24, 1829 ; Edwin and Edgar, Sept. 20, 1832 ; Mark L., April 29, 1835, keeps at No. 16, Pearl Street, Boston ; Charles A., Nov. 30, 1838. Charles T. lives in Boston, No. 16, Chamber Street.

5. Ebenezer, son of Ichabod, born at Attleborough, July 7, 1764 ; married Betsy Stanley. Children, — Rosey, born at Attleborough, March 6, 1796, married Gideon Young ; Russell, born July 26, 1792 ; Martha, Feb. 27, 1795, married Daniel Bradley ; Dana, born July 18, 1803 ; Hannah, born at Lewiston, Me., Oct. 20, 1807.

6. Russell, son of Ebenezer and Betsy, born at Attleborough, July 26, 1792 ; married Susan Alby. Children, — Oren A., born at Attleborough in 1814 ; Harriet R., 1816. He died in 1816.

7. Oren A., son of Russell and Susan, born at Attlebo-

rough in 1814; married Ellen Slater at North Providence, Aug. 12, 1840. Children, — Ellen S., born at Providence in 1841; John S., 1843; Frances Elizabeth, 1846. Oren A. is a dealer in stoves and hardware in Providence. He has done much to perpetuate the history of his race.

6. Dana, son of Ebenezer and Betsy, born at Attleborough, July 18, 1803; married Julia Woodruff. Children, — Laura, born 1829; Sarah N., 1831; Ellen H., 1833; Henry C., 1834; Sarah, 1837; Julia W., 1839; David H., 1841; Frederick, 1843. He lives in Springfield, Mass.

6. Hannah, daughter of Ebenezer and Betsy, born at Lewiston, Me., Oct. 20, 1807; married Joseph B. Gage of Pelham, N.H. Children, — Harriet Stanley, who married Charles Kelley of Salem, N.H.; Helen M.; Sarah; Joseph Alonzo; William; George; Albert; Joanna; Ida.

4. Samuel, son of Daniel and Elizabeth, born at Attleborough, May 18, 1723; married Barbara Lindley. Children, — Barbara, born April 26, 1747; Solomon, Sept. 17, 1749; Thomas, Sept. 12, 1752; Alpha, Feb. 23, 1755; Lucy, July 21, 1758; Samuel, Nov. 20, 1760; Lois, Oct. 18, 1762; Betty, Dec. 18, 1766.

5. Daniel, son of Ichabod and Elizabeth, born at Attleborough, Aug. 12, 1743; married Bebbe Peck. Children, — Barzela, born at Attleborough; Elizabeth, born April 11, 1760; Cyrus, Jan. 13, 1770.

5. Thomas, son of Samuel and Barbara, born at Attleborough, Sept. 12, 1752; married Rachel Titus. Children, — Barbara, born at Attleborough, Sept. 13, 1784; Artemas, April 13, 1787.

6. Artemas, son of Thomas and Rachel, born at Attleborough, April 13, 1787; married Abigail French. Children, Barbara A., born at Attleborough, Nov. 18, 1813, died 1843; Albert N., born Jan. 5, 1816, died 1834; Eliza W., born 1818; Eunice M., 1822.

2. Moses, son of John, born at Rehoboth, October, 1650; married Rebecca Fitch, Dec. 6, 1677. Children, — Zacheriah, born at Rehoboth, Oct. 20, 1681; Rebecca, Sept. 14, 1683; Ezekiel, Jan. 23, 1685; Mary, Sept. 24, 1689; Moses, Nov. 12, 1691, died Dec. 9, 1697. The elder Moses was a representative of the town several years, and was a captain. He died Dec. 14, 1716.

3. Zacheriah, son of Moses and Rebecca, born at Rehoboth, Oct. 20, 1681; married Martha. Children, — Zacheriah, born at Rehoboth, Jan. 8, 1718; Moses, June 26, 1720; Hezekiah, May 1, 1722; Martha, Sept. 13, 1724; Ruth, June 21, 1726; Hepsibah, June 27, 1730. He died March 21, 1732.

3. Ezekiel, son of Moses and Rebecca, born at Rehoboth, Jan. 23, 1685; married Mary Ide, May 24, 1714. Children, — Mary, born at Rehoboth, April 22, 1715; Bethiah, July 13, 1718; Ezekiel, Aug. 7, 1721; Rebecca, Nov. 1, 1723; Oliver, April 21, 1726, died Nov. 7, 1729; Joshua, born March 7, 1728, died March 23, 1729; Olive, born Jan. 19, 1729; Kesiah, May 1, 1731.

3. Moses, son of Moses and Rebecca, born at Rehoboth, Nov. 12, 1691. Children, — Moses, born in 1716; Nathaniel, 1715; Ezra, 1718.

4. Moses, son of Moses, born in 1716; married Elizabeth George. Children, — Moses, born at Attleborough, Nov. 24, 1745; Elizabeth, May 4, 1747; Abigail, Feb. 15, 1750; Frelove, May 10, 1753; Ephraim, July 13, 1756; Susanna, Aug. 9, 1758, who married a Tyler.

4. Hesekiah, son of Zacheriah and Martha, born at Rehoboth, May 1, 1722; married Hannah Haddock of Windsor, Conn., Feb. 16, 1747. Child, — Benjamin, born at Windsor, Conn., Sept. 30, 1748.

5. Moses, son of Moses and Elizabeth, born at Attleborough, Nov. 24, 1745; may have had a son Moses, who

married Esther, and had Mary, born at Attleborough, Sept. 26, 1812.

5. Ephreim, son of Moses and Elizabeth, born July 13, 1756; married Hannah Fuller. Children, — Isaac, born at Attleborough, Oct. 28, 1782; John, Dec. 20, 1785; Tenty, June 2, 1789; Hannah, May 6, 1792; Savira, Sept. 4, 1798. He was in the Revolutionary War, and was distinguished as a man of a very retentive memory.

6. John, son of Ephraim, born Dec. 20, 1785; married Sally Freeman. Children, — Susan, born Sept. 4, 1810; Marcus, Aug. 7, 1812; Edwin, Sept. 28, 1814; John, Jan. 12, 1819; Sarah Ann, June 24, 1820; James, April 30. 1822; William, Nov. 10, 1825; Ezra, Oct. 19, 1828. The elder John is a Baptist clergyman, and lives at Cranston, R.I.

7. William, son of Rev. John and Sally, born Nov. 10, 1825; married Susan M. Austin. Children, — Samuel, born Sept. 19, 1850; Edward A., April 27, 1852; Jane M., Oct. 4, 1843. He is a Baptist clergyman.

4. Ezekiel, son of Ezekiel and Mary, born Aug. 7, 1721; married Anna. Children, — Rebecca, born at Rehoboth, Sept. 10, 1751; Ezekiel, Sept. 13, 1753; Samuel, Sept. 18, 1757; Anna, Oct. 28, 1756; Mary, June 25, 1759; Patty, Sept. 14, 1761; Joshua, June 30, 1764.

4. Oliver, son of Ezekiel and Mary, born Jan. 19, 1729; married Hannah. Children, — Mary, born at Rehoboth, Dec. 10, 1763; Oliver, April 21, 1765; Hannah, March 29, 1769; Chloe, May 22, 1773. He was deacon of the church of Rehoboth.

5. Oliver, son of Oliver and Hannah, born at Rehoboth, April 21, 1765; married Huldah Read. Children, — Huldah, born Oct. 3, 1795; Milton, April 21, 1797.

5. Joshua, son of Ezekiel and Anna, born at Rehoboth, June 30, 1764; married Kersia. Child, — Joshua, born at Rehoboth, Dec. 18, 1793.

6. Milton, son of Oliver and Huldah, born April 21, 1797; married Fanny. Children, — Milton S., Albert, William, Mary.

7. Edwin, son of John and Sally, born Sept. 28, 1814; married Caroline M. Coulton, Oct. 1, 1839. They live at Pawtucket.

2. Israel, son of John, 1st, of Rehoboth, born in Rehoboth in 1657; married Rebecca Ruggells of Roxbury, Nov. 6, 1684. Children, — John, born April 22, 1686; Rebecca, July 14, 1687; Israel, Sept. 3, 1688, died Sept. 22, 1732; Mary, born Aug. 4, 1690; Joseph, Aug. 19, 1692; Elizabeth, April 6, 1694; Ann, March 23, 1695; Ruth, Nov. 23, 1697; Joshua, Oct. 3, 1699, died Sept. 14, 1722; Judith, born April 8, 1701; Jeremiah, May 8, 1703. The elder Israel died Nov. 17, 1732.

3. Joseph, son of Israel and Rebecca, born Aug. 19, 1692; married Hannah. Children, — Joshua, born July 1, 1728; Eliphalet, Oct. 6, 1730; Joseph, —— 25, 1733, died without issue; Ruth, born Oct. 28, 1734; Joseph, Jan. 30, 1736; Betty, Nov. 30, 1738; Rosanna, Dec. 7, 1740; Benjamin, Nov. 8, 1743.

4. Eliphalet, son of Joseph and Hannah, born Oct. 6, 1730; married Sarah Bucklin of Providence. He moved to New Brunswick, and was with Gen. Wolfe at the taking of Quebec in 1759. He finally settled at Sackleville. Children, — Eliphalet, William, Joseph, Benjamin, Joshua, Hannah, Rebecca, Elizabeth, Sarah.

5. Joshua, son of Eliphalet, born at Sackleville, N.B.; married Hannah Salisbury of Mount Desert, Me. Children, — John; Joshua; Joseph, born in 1804; Sarah; Elizabeth; Lydia; Rebecca.

6. John, son of Joseph of Sackleville, N.B., had one son and four daughters. He died many years ago.

4. Joshua, son of Joseph and Hannah, born July 1, 1728;

married Betty. Children, — Amey, born Sept. 9, 1756; Daniel, Sept. 10, 1754; Hannah, Oct. 26, 1758.

Joshua Read married Kesiah. Child, — Joshua, born at Rehoboth, Dec. 18, 1793.

Joshua, son of Joshua, born at Barrington, Oct. 13, 1820.

6. Joshua, son of Joseph of Sackleville, N.B., has four children living.

6. Joseph, son of Joseph and Hannah of Sackleville, born at Sackleville in 1804; married Abigail Seaman. Children, — Joseph B., born 1830; Augusta A.; Sarah A.; Lucy Herbert; Emily C., born in 1842; Huldah, 1844; Mary F., 1846; Louisa C., 1848; Henry Harris, 1851; Eveline, 1853; Barton S., 1855; Ellen, 1856. He lives at Minudie, Cumberland County, N.S.; and is of the firm of Reed and Seaman of Boston. He is a magistrate for the county of Cumberland.

7. Joseph B., son of Joseph, married Emma Marsters of Nova Scotia, and had one child, who, with the mother, is dead; and they lie side by side in one grave.

7. Augusta A., daughter of Joseph Read, Esq., of Minudie, married Rev. R. H. Emerson of Moreton, N.B., and has three children. Mr. Emerson is deceased.

7. Sarah A., daughter of Joseph, Esq., married Rev. David M. Keen. They have two children.

6. Sarah, daughter of Joseph and Hannah, married Isaac Powell, and had seven children, and lives in Farmersville, C.W.

6. Elizabeth, daughter of Joseph and Hannah, married Thomas Read (her first cousin), and lives in New Brunswick. They have nine children.

6. Lydia, daughter of Joseph and Hannah, married Robert Willis. Both dead, leaving eight children.

6. Rebecca, daughter of Joseph and Hannah, married Job Seaman. They have seven children.

6. Hannah, daughter of Joseph and Hannah, married Charles D. Lockhart. They have seven children.

6. Eliphalet, son of Joseph and Hannah, married Francis Patterson. They have eight children.

6. William, son of Joseph and Hannah, married Mary Cole. Both are deceased, leaving two children.

4. Joseph, son of Joseph and Hannah, went to the British Provinces about the year 1755. He was at the taking of Fort Cumberland. He married Martha, daughter of Elder Rounds, a Baptist minister in Attleborough, July 26, 1761; and he also became a Baptist minister. Settled in Horton, N.S., and died young, of a tape-worm, leaving a son Benjamin, born in 1769, and settled in Winthrop, Me.; married Mary B. Easty of Sharon, Mass., Aug. 15, 1789. Children, — Leonard, born Oct. 13, 1791; Polly, March 12, 1792; Benjamin; Perin and Perintha, June 17, 1796; Martha, Aug. 16, 1798; Joseph, July 9, 1800; Draper P., Sept. 5, 1802; Hannah; Nancy; Solomon; Olive M. The elder Benjamin was a landholder, and payer of direct taxes in Winthrop in 1798, but afterwards moved to Albion. Joseph also left two daughters, older than Benjamin; one of whom married a Colburn, and died without issue: the other married a Lake, and raised a large family in Winthrop. The children of Joseph were brought up by their grand-parents, in Attleborough.

6. Joseph, son of Benjamin and Mary, born at Winthrop, July 9, 1800; married Lucinda Hathorn. Children, — Mary, born April 27, 1827; Bartlett W., May 9, 1829; Olive M., May 18, 1831; Levina C., Dec. 19, 1839; Oren J., Nov. 16, 1836; Mary B., who married Paul Dudley, June 15, 1850, died Oct. 14, 1854.

6. Draper P., son of Benjamin and Mary, born Sept. 5, 1802; married Betsy Smith of Orington, and lives in Milford, Me. Children, — Martha, William H., Delia S.,

George D., Marcellus, Jesse W., Mary E., Essanah Annett, Eva, Abby T.

3. John, son of Israel and Rebecca, born April 22, 1686; married Susanna Rounds, Feb. 8, 1710. Children, — Elizabeth, born at Swansey, Nov. 23, 1711; Oliver, June 18, 1715; probably John, and William. Susanna, the wife, died Aug. 21, 1735.

John, son of John and Susanna, married Susanna Rollins, and settled in Bristol, Me. Children, — John, born at Bristol, now Damariscotta, in 1750, died in the Revolutionary War; Polly, born in 1752, married a Ross; William, born in 1754; Sally, 1762; Susanna, April 8, 1765; Martha, 1768; Eliphalet, 1770; Frank, April, 1772; Samuel, Feb. 5, 1774; Joseph, 1776; Asa, Oct. 22, 1778.

William, son of John and Susanna, born at Bristol, Me., 1754; married Eunice Flint, and had two sons and five daughters. He died April 15, 1823: his wife died April 18, 1834. They settled in Strong, Me. Children, — John, born Aug. 24, 1779; Thomas, March 16, 1781; Eunice, April 18, 1783; Susanna, March 6, 1786; Patty, June 1, 1789; Polly, June 24, 1793; Sally, May 14, 1799.

William, son of John and Susanna, born at Somerset, 1708. Children, — John, born in 1729; Mary, 1733; Betsy, 1736; Nathan, 1746.

John, son of William, born in 1729. Children, — William C., born in 1755; William, 1761; Sarah, 1763; Mary, 1764; John, 1765; Nathan, 1768; Nathan, 1774.

William of Somerset, son of John, born in 1761. Children, — William E., born in 1805; Ruth, 1807; William, 1808; Eben S., 1810; Mary C., 1812; Epaphras J., 1814; George, 1816; Sarah, 1819; Elizabeth, 1821.

William, son of William, born 1808. Children, — William F., born 1838; Rufus S., 1840; George, 1843; Mary B., 1845.

Nathan, son of John, born 1741. Child, — Preserved, born in 1777.

Preserved, son of Nathan, born 1777. Children, — Catherine, born in 1807; Nathan, 1809; Francis, 1812; Emeline M., 1815; Elizabeth, 1817; Mariah, 1823; Charles G., 1829.

Francis, son of Preserved, born in 1812. Children, — Cate, born in 1852; Charles, 1853.

7. Eben S., son of William, born at Somerset, Oct. 6, 1810; married Sarah Ann Curtis. Children, — Sarah E., born at Fall River in 1836; Charles M., born at Somerset in 1841. They live at Fall River.

John, son of William and Eunice of Strong, born Aug. 24, 1779; married Abigail Smith. Children, — Susan, William, Harrison, Mary, John S., Abigail A., Sarah. John died May 22, 1837.

Thomas, son of William and Eunice, born March 16, 1781; married his cousin Polly Flint, and had seven sons and two daughters. He died in 1857.

Polly, daughter of Thomas and Polly, married John L. Blake, and lives at Farmington, Me.

Sally, daughter of John and Susanna of Bristol, Me., married Micah Wethren, and had two sons and two daughters.

Susanna, daughter of John and Susanna, married Ephraim Rollins. Children, — Samuel, William, Ephraim.

Martha, daughter of John and Susanna, born 1768; married Richard Clark. Children, — Lavina, Alice, Adam, Eliphalet, Phebe, George, Dennis.

Eliphalet, son of John and Susanna, born 1770; married Jane Plumer of Damariscotta. Children, — Abiel, Benjamin, Moses, Samuel, Susan, Hannah. He lived and died in Bristol, now Damariscotta, Me.: his wife died in Lynn, Mass., Sept. 21, 1853.

Frank, son of John and Susanna, born April, 1772. Chil-

dren, — William; and two others, names not given. He settled in Knox, Me.

Samuel, son of John and Susanna, born Feb. 5, 1774; married Abigail Yeaton. Children, — John G., Henry, Harvey, Rufus, Joel, Catherine, Jane, Mary, Samuel P., Susan, Abigail. He lived and died on the old homestead of his father in Bristol, Me.

Joseph, son of John and Susanna, born 1776. Children, — Waterman, Benjamin, Margaret, Esther, Sally. He settled in Windsor, Me.

Asa, son of John and Susanna, born at Damariscotta, Oct. 22, 1778; married Sarah Yeaton. Children, — William M., born June 27, 1801; George F., Oct. 22, 1803; Abigail, Oct. 13, 1805; Hartshorn, June 27, 1807; Francis F., Jan. 12, 1809; Elbridge G., June 1, 1811; Sarah M., July 17, 1813; Warren A., Feb. 9, 1815; John B., April 29, 1818; Jerome, Sept. 23, 1820. Married, for second wife, Abigail Huchinson. Children, — Augusta A., born Oct. 18, 1834; Charles L., Oct. 22, 1836. Asa settled in 1803 or '4 in New Sharon, and removed to Strong in 1817; then to Township No. 6, Oxford County, now Phillips in Franklin County, where he died in 1849. He was called Esquire Reed.

William M., son of Asa and Sarah, born June 27, 1801; married Anne Wentworth, and is known as Esquire Reed of Farmington, Me.

George F., son of Asa and Sarah, born Oct. 22, 1803; married Dolly Beedy, and lives at Phillips. Married, for second wife, Susan Smith; and has children, whose names are not given.

Abigail, daughter of Asa and Sarah, born Oct. 13, 1805; married Enos Hiscock, and lives at Strong Village.

Hartshorn, son of Asa and Sarah, born June 27, 1807; married Rachel Chandler, and have children, whose names are not given. They live at Phillips.

Francis, son of Asa and Sarah, born Jan. 12, 1809; married Jane Lathrop, and they live in Lee, Penobscot County. Names of children are not given.

Elbridge G., son of Asa and Sarah, born June 1, 1811; married Sarah A. Hussey, and died at his residence in Milford, Penobscot County, in December, 1853.

Sarah M., daughter of Asa, born July 17, 1813; married Richard Hiscock, and lives at Farmington Centre. Names of children are not given.

Warren A., son of Asa, born Feb. 9, 1815; lives at No. 11, Aroostic County.

John B., son of Asa, born April 29, 1818; has a family, and lives in Lee.

3. Israel, son of Israel and Rebecca, born Sept. 3, 1688; married Hannah. Children, — Mary, born at Rehoboth, Feb. 11, 1730; Israel, April 1, 1731; a son, born Aug. 11, 1732. The elder Israel died Sept. 22, 1732.

5. William, son of Eliphalet and Sarah, married Jemima Finney, and lived in Sackville. Children, — William, born in 1794; Joseph, 1796; Eliphalet, 1798; Hannah, who married Elijah Ayers; Caleb, lives in Portland, Conn.; James; Harris; John; Asa.

Joseph, son of William and Jemima, married Mary, widow of Valentine Easterbrooks, and lives at St. John's.

6. Eliphalet, son of William and Jemima, born in 1798; married Rebecca Outhouse. Children, — Maria A., married Samuel Hicks; William, who went to Illinois; Alton G.; Elizabeth, who married Edward Smith; James L., a Baptist clergyman; Jemima, married Seth Campbell; Eliphalet, a Baptist clergyman, settled in Horton; Rebecca; Allison, who died young; Hiram; Joseph B.

7. Alton G., son of Eliphalet, married Anna Craig of Roxbury, where he resides.

Eliphalet, son of Eliphalet, married Margaret Stockman.

Children, — Jesse; Otho; William; Peter; David; James; Eunice, who married Thomas Townsend; Sinthia, married Joshua Tingley; Betsy, married John Anderson.

William, son of Eliphalet, married Sarah Palmer, and lives in Westmoreland County, N.B. Children, — Jane, who married Guy Tuttle; Gideon; Eliphalet, died young; Charity, married Ebenezer C. Palmer; Sarah; Otho R., who lives in Roxbury; John T.; Ruth E.; Ellen, who married Isaac Anderson; William M.; Elizabeth A.

Joshua, son of Joseph and Sarah, married Pricilla Chappel. Children, — Eliphalet; Catherine; Elizabeth, who married James Outhouse; Ruth; Hannah; Charles; Joseph; Richmond; Otho; George; Albert. Joshua died in Illinois, where his children live.

Benjamin, son of Joseph and Sarah, married Jane, and settled in Bay de Verte. Children, — Ephraim; Benjamin; Joshua; Jonas; Sinthia, who married William Kay.

Rebecca, daughter of Joseph and Sarah, married David Purrington. Children, — Eleaner; Eliza, who married Dr. Knapp.

William, son of William and Jemima, married Anna Easterbrooks, and lived in Sackville. Children, — Sarah, who married Joseph Sears; Allen, who went to Illinois; Nancy, married Albert Peck of Hopewell; Jemima, died in 1842; Louis, married Isaac Barns; Tinson; Direxa; Purrington, who died young; Joseph; Amey.

3. Jeremiah, son of Israel, born May 8, 1703; married Patience Goodale, Oct. 18, 1732. Children, — Lydia, born at Rehoboth, Dec. 1, 1733, died 1739; Patience, born Dec. 25, 1734; Rebecca, born at Attleborough, Oct. 4, 1736; Jeremiah, Sept. 25, 1738, died 1740; Lydia, born Feb. 3, 1740.

4. Joshua, son of Joseph and Hannah, born at Rehoboth, July 21, 1728; married Betty. Children, — Daniel, born

at Swansey, Sept. 10, 1754; Amey, Sept. 9, 1756; Hannah, Oct. 26, 1758.

5. Matthew, son of Daniel and Mary, born at Rehoboth, July 23, 1742; married Dorothy Bardine. Children, — Zelenda, born in Ashford, Conn., May 25, 1770; Mary, 1772; Reuben, 1774, died; Matthew, born Nov. 3, 1776; Daniel, 1779; Olive, 1781; David, 1783.

6. Matthew, son of Matthew and Dorothy, born at Ashford in 1776; married Lydia Hotchkiss. Children, — Elizabeth, born in East Windsor, Oct. 24, 1802, died in 1808; Matthew H., born Sept. 2, 1804; Eleazer B., Sept. 12, 1808. Married, for second wife, Lydia P. Allen in 1815. Children, — Timothy, born May 15, 1817; Francis, Feb. 3, 1819; Susan, Jan. 29, 1823, died 1825; Emeline, born Feb. 10, 1825, died 1831.

6. Daniel, son of Matthew and Dorothy, born in Ashford, Conn., in 1779; married in Wrentham, Mass., in 1805, to Patty Whiting, and settled in Andover, Conn.

6. David, son of Matthew and Dorothy, is deceased; and his widow lives in Springfield, Pa.

6. Matthew H., son of Matthew and Lydia, born at East Windsor, Sept. 2, 1804. Children, — Louisa P., William H., Amelia M., Matthew H., Daniel P. They live in Albany, N.Y.

7. Eleazer B., son of Matthew and Lydia, born at East Windsor, Sept. 12, 1808. Children, — Mary E.; Benjamin F. They live at Albany.

8. Robert, son of Matthew H. Children, — Robert, Jennet B. They live in Albany.

8. William H., son of Matthew H. Child, — Addie. They live in Albany.

5. Peter, son of Daniel and Mary, born at Rehoboth, July 6, 1751; married Mary Pitcher in 1776. Children, — Ezra, born in Attleborough, Dec. 16, 1777. Married, for

second wife, Lydia Gilbert in 1786. Children, — Mary, born in New Haven, Sept. 10, 1787, died in 1789; Rufus, born July 10, 1789; Jesse, Oct. 2, 1790; Patty, July 11, 1792, died 1813; Peter, born at Ludlow, Vt., Dec. 27, 1793. Married Elizabeth Baldwin for third wife. Children, — Mary, born May 17, 1796; Lydia, Aug. 15, 1797, and married S. W. Goodrich; Mariam, born June 27, 1802. The elder Peter was a clergyman, settled in Ludlow. He died in 1839.

6. Ezra, son of Rev. Peter, born in Attleborough, Dec. 16, 1777; married Harriet Orne Fanning, daughter of Barcley Fanning, a captain in the English Army. Child, — Harriet Orne Fanning, a distinguished reporteress at Washington. He learned the printer's trade at Windsor, Vt., and edited a newspaper in that State; but was afterwards associated with his uncle Daniel in publishing musical and other works in New Haven. He afterwards moved to Boston, and was associated with Alden Bradford, Secretary of State, and an extensive publisher of law, musical, and other works. They were the first who published Scott's novels this side of the Atlantic. His health failing him, he went to Barbadoes in search of a more genial climate; and died of yellow fever soon after his arrival.

6. Rufus, son of Rev. Peter, born at New Haven, July 10, 1789; married Rhoda Deane in 1819. Children, — George F., born at New Haven, Oct. 24, 1820; Ezra G., May 2, 1822; Elizabeth T., March, 1824.

6. Peter, son of Rev. Peter, born at Ludlow, Vt., Dec. 27, 1793; married Jane Walker. Children, — David W. A., born at Ludlow, December, 1820; Cornelia S., July 18, 1824.

6. Jesse, son of Rev. Peter of Ludlow, born Oct. 2, 1790, and settled in Richmond, Vt.

5. Daniel, son of Daniel and Mary, born at Rehoboth,

Nov. 2, 1757 ; married Jerusha Sherman. Children, — George F. Handall, born at New Haven, May 21, 1788; Nathan S., Jan. 31, 1792, died 1821 ; Eliza, born Dec. 12, 1799, died in 1800 ; Mary W., born June 30, 1802, who married Jonathan Nicholson. Daniel was a comb manufacturer and a composer of music in New Haven: he died in 1836.

6. Nathan S., son of Daniel and Jerusha, born Jan. 31, 1792 ; married Hannah Marriman. Children, — Eliza J., born April 26, 1815, died in 1815 ; Sarah C., born Oct. 28, 1816, died 1818 ; Daniel A., born Sept. 16, 1818, died 1821. Nathan S. was a graduate at Yale College, and a clergyman.

6. George F. Handall, son of Daniel and Jerusha, born at New Haven, May 21, 1788 ; married Miss Dummer. Children, — Theodore, born at New Haven, April 26, 1811; Henry A., Dec. 6, 1812, died 1842 ; William S., born Oct. 31, 1816 ; George F., July 26, 1819, died 1845 ; Daniel E., born Aug. 4, 1827. Married, for second wife, Rebecca Sherman ; and the three youngest children are by the second wife. George F. is a merchant in New Haven.

7. Theodore, son of George F. H. and Rebecca, born at New Haven, April 26, 1811 ; married Mary Atwater. Children, — Thomas A., born at New Haven in 1835 ; Stephen D., 1837 ; Rebecca, 1840 ; Elisha, 1843. They live at New Haven.

7. Henry A., son of George F. H., born at New Haven, Dec. 6, 1812 ; married Caroline Curbey. Children, — Eunice D., born in 1837 ; Nathan S., 1838 ; Henry, 1840 ; Mary M., 1841 ; Cornelia, 1843. They reside at New Haven.

5. William, son of Daniel and Mary, born at Rehoboth, Dec. 27, 1764 ; married Selenda Tingley. Children, — Mariah C., born at Attleborough, June 24, 1793, died in

1833; Ezra C., Jan. 27, 1798; Herbert A., Nov. 18, 1801. William was a manufacturer at Pawtucket.

6. Herbert A., son of William and Selenda, born at Attleborough, Nov. 18, 1801; married Nancy Dwight. Children, — Martha M., born at Thompson, Feb. 12, 1826, died in 1837; Mary E., born at Leroy, N.Y., Aug. 27, 1830; Martha M., at Munroe City, O., Feb. 12, 1838. He is a clergyman.

6. Ezra, son of William and Selenda, born at Attleborough, June 27, 1798; married Martha Simpson. Children, — James A., born at Newport, R.I., July 19, 1825, died 1830; Charles A., born at New York, June 13, 1828, died 1831; Martha W., born March 10, 1833, married Francis Wayland, son of President Wayland. Ezra is president of a bank in New Haven.

5. Joel, son of Daniel and Mary, born at Rehoboth, Aug. 16, 1753; married Chloe Stanley. Children, — Olive, born at Attleborough, Sept. 4, 1780; Nancy, Feb. 23, 1782; Eunice, April 19, 1784; Otis, July 29, 1786; Chloe, June 5, 1788; John A., Oct. 22, 1790; Mary, Jan. 7, 1793; Daniel, Feb. 14, 1795; David, Oct. 21, 1797. Joel lived in that part of Rehoboth afterwards incorporated as the town of Attleborough; and was justice of the peace, selectman, and representative for many years.

6. Otis, son of Joel and Chloe, born July 29, 1786; married Charlotte Everett. Children, — Julia Ann, born at Attleborough, Jan. 4, 1811; Charles, Sept. 25, 1813; Jason, Oct. 11, 1815; Amherst Everett, Dec. 5, 1819; Henry O., July 4, 1823; John A., Aug. 28, 1828.

7. Charles, son of Otis and Charlotte, born Sept. 25, 1813; married Lucy Newman. Children, — Henry M., born Jan. 15, 1838; Charles E., March 15, 1840; Ellen F., Nov. 2, 1841; Charles O., Dec. 29, 1846.

7. Daniel, son of Joel and Chloe, born at Attleborough,

Feb. 14, 1795; married Lydia Miller. Children, — Albert M.; Eunice, Feb. 28, 1826; Daniel W., Dec. 26, 1827, died; Daniel F., born April 1, 1830; James, April 3, 1837, died 1839; Adaline, born July 12, 1835; Robert, Jan. 29, 1838; George, March 5, 1841.

5. Levi, son of Daniel and Mary, born at Rehoboth, Aug. 23, 1762; married Anna Hunt. Children, — Rufus, born at Attleborough, Nov. 19, 1800, and lives in New-York City; Clement O., born Aug. 1, 1802; Esther, Sept. 4, 1804; Charlotte A., April 16, 1807; William H. Clifford, May 6, 1809; Sinthia M., Oct. 30, 1811, died in 1836.

6. Clement O., son of Levi and Anna, born Aug. 1, 1802; married Miranda Collins in 1826: she died in 1832. Married Anna Goddard in 1834, and married Lydia Buffam in 1845. Children, — Albert O., born in Nashua, N. H., Nov. 29, 1826; Angelina, April 10, 1829; Handall, Dec. 12, 1832, died; Herbert G., born March 5, 1836, died; Miranda Adeline, born in Worcester, Sept. 18, 1828; Mary Anna, born at Attleborough, Oct. 2, 1842; Lucy E., born at Milford, Dec. 12, 1847; Edward E., at Brooklyn, N.Y., Nov. 13, 1850; Sarah B., May 13, 1853; Berthy, at Perthamboy, N.Y., Aug. 14, 1854.

4. Noah, son of Daniel and Elizabeth, born at Attleborough, Dec. 17, 1718; married Abigail Baldwin. Children, — Timothy, born at Attleborough, Aug. 2, 1843; Elizabeth, April 3, 1745; Sarah, Aug. 22, 1746; David, Nov. 10, 1747, died in 1748; Esther, born Feb. 1, 1748; Abigail, Oct. 25, 1750; Chloe, Feb. 13, 1752; Richard, Dec. 21, 1753; Noah, Sept. 21, 1755; Benjamin, March 5, 1757; Hannah, Jan. 17, 1759, died in 1859. Married Dorcas Chaffe, for second wife, in 1761. Children, — Hannah, born in 1762, married Rev. Otis Robinson of Salisbury, Mass.; Dorcas, born May 6, 1764, who married Job Harding; Huldah, born April 18, 1766, married David Winkley; Abel, born Feb. 10, 1768;

Olive, June 11, 1770, married Elisha Harding; David, born Aug. 11, 1777.

5. Olive, daughter of Noah and Dorcas, born June 11, 1770; married Elisha Harding of Medway, Mass., and had several children. He died, and she married a Blake of Wrentham, by whom she had several children. She afterwards joined the Shakers at Lebanon, N.Y.

5. David, son of Noah and Dorcas, born Aug. 11, 1777; married Prudence Pitts, July 3, 1798, and settled in Livermore, Me. Married Hannah Abbot of Minot for second wife. Children, — Lucinda, who married Elvin Dillance; Phillip P.; Mary P., married David Rich; Prudence P., married Micah Foster for her first husband, and afterwards Orin Andrews of Boston; Louis and Eunice; Stillman, who died in infancy; Harry; Clarinda and David; Stillman.

6. Phillip P., son of David of Livermore, married Lydia D. Parsons. Children, — Margaret P., Annette E., Emily F., Alvan A. He lives at No. 357, Tremont Street, Boston; and is the inventor of a patent horseshoe.

6. Stillman, son of David of Livermore, married Martha T. Thompson, July 1, 1835. Children, — Theron, born Aug. 30, 1836; Cyrus T., Jan. 4, 1839; Clara, Sept. 12, 1840, died May 5, 1851; George E., born Feb. 3, 1843; Fred, June 15, 1852; Corsel, Aug. 31, 1854; Charles Stillman, Nov. 16, 1857.

6. Harvey, son of David of Livermore, married Adaline Richards; and Deborah Macholster, for second wife. Children, — Mary Adaline; Charles; Elvah; Clarinda, who married John Bemis in 1836; David, who married Sarah E., daughter of Dr. Johnson of Newburyport.

5. Abel, son of Noah and Dorcas, born at Attleborough, Feb. 10, 1768; married Elizabeth Sweet. Children, — Noah, born at Attleborough, June 17, 1789; Betsy, Aug. 17, 1791, died in 1796; Fanny, born Jan. 30, 1793; Huldah,

May 24, 1795; Elsea, May 7, 1797; Betsy, May 12, 1799; Abel, April 1, 1801.

6. Abel, son of Abel and Elizabeth, born at Attleborough, April 1, 1801. Children, — Abel, born at North Providence, Nov. 30, 1821, and married Deborah P. Staples. Children, — Henry F., born at Smithfield, March 4, 1846; Frederick A., Oct. 11, 1857; Delos Lebarron, at North Providence, 1850; Osmand F., Feb. 14, 1852; Ella M., at Newport, April 1, 1857.

Noah, son of Noah and Abigail, born at Attleborough, Sept. 21, 1755; married Mary Robinson at Windham, Me., Nov. 26, 1768. Children, — Emma, born at Windham, Me., April 25, 1792; John, Oct. 8, 1793; Nathan, March 2, 1795; Huldah, April 15, 1796, died; Sarah, born March 13, 1798, died June 16, 1839; Lydia, born March 2, 1802, died Feb. 18, 1842; Tabitha, born July 17, 1804; Jane, April 27, 1806; Rufus, March 5, 1809, died Sept. 9, 1848; Noah, born Dec. 19, 1810. The elder Noah died April 4, 1844: his wife died Nov. 4, 1842. He was a member of the Society of Friends. The following is taken from "Memorials of Deceased Friends of New-England Yearly Meeting," published by the meeting for sufferings, 1849: —

"Although considerable time has elapsed since the decease of our aged and worthy friend Noah Read, yet the remembrance of him is still fresh in our minds; and we believe it right to preserve the following testimony concerning him. He was born in Attleborough, State of Massachusetts, the 22d of ninth month, 1757, of parents not in profession with Friends; and, in the thirty-first year of his age, he was received a member of Falmouth Monthly Meeting, of which this Monthly Meeting was then a part. Of his previous life, little has come to our knowledge; but from this time he appears to have engaged in the cause of truth and righteousness in the earth, and was concerned that his life and conversation might be answerable to the profession he was making. He was, for many years, more or less occupied as a teacher of the youthful members of our society, in the common branches of school-learning; which service

he performed much to the satisfaction of his friends. He was a zealous friend of the Aborigines of this country: and, when the situation of the Penobscot tribe engaged the attention of our Yearly Meeting, he was early appointed one of the committee to look into their situation; and, for many years, gave much personal attention to that concern. He often visited them at their location; going from cabin to cabin, and endeavoring to turn their attention to their religious duties, and to instruct them in the arts of civilized life. In 1800, he was appointed an elder; which station he filled till his death."

The testimony is continued to considerable length, and signed by the clerks; but, for want of room, I pass over the remainder.

Emma, daughter of Noah and Mary, born at Windham, April 25, 1792; married John Robinson, June 11, 1812. Children, — Huldah Reed, born July 15, 1813; Otis, Nov. 25, 1814; Noah, June, 1816, died in 1816 or '17; Miriam, born Feb. 21, 1818, died Sept. 14, 1833; Mary J., June 16, 1819, died Jan. 23, 1834.

John, son of Noah and Mary, born Oct. 8, 1793; married Nancy Horton, Jan. 28, 1818. She died June 27, 1832. He married Eunice Hodsdon, Jan. 30, 1833: she died Nov. 19, 1843. Married Jane Woodford, November, 1849. Children, — Ann Elizabeth, born Nov. 4, 1818; James Neal, Oct. 17, 1820; John H., Sept. 12, 1828; Nancy H., March 22, 1836, died July 30, 1844; Noah, born Sept. 23, 1830; Daniel H., June 15, 1838. John lives in Westbrook, Me., near the line of Portland. He formerly kept a public-house in Windham.

Nathan, son of Noah and Mary, born March 2, 1795; married Ruth Horton, Jan. 28, 1824. Children, — Emily Hussey, born Dec. 15, 1824, died Oct. 7, 1825; Emily H., Aug. 30, 1826; Julia W., Sept. 1, 1831; Joseph Warner, Nov. 9, 1834, a clerk in Portland; Charles H., Nov. 17, 1840, died Feb. 1, 1845.

Emily H., daughter of Nathan and Ruth, born Aug. 30, 1826; married Josiah Jones, Nov. 10, 1853. Child, — Julia W., born Sept. 5, 1854.

Julia W., daughter of Nathan and Ruth, born Sept. 1, 1831; married Nathan R. Dyer, April 28, 1858.

Sarah, daughter of Noah and Mary, born March 13, 1798; married Jeremiah Hacker, Sept. 11, 1817. Children, — Lydia, born July 8, 1818, died May 23, 1821; Mary Read, Jan. 26, 1820; Emily Ann, Nov. 22, 1821; Hannah, September, 1823; Joseph N., Feb. 15, 1826; Francis, Dec. 15, 1827; Lydia, Nov. 24, 1829; Abigail, Aug. 24, 1832, died Oct. 16, 1832; Jeremiah W., born Nov. 22, 1834. They live in Windham.

Mary R. Hacker, daughter of Jeremiah Hacker and Sarah Read, born Jan. 26, 1820; married Josiah S. Allen, May 29, 1845. Child, — George, born June 11, 1853.

Hannah Hacker, daughter of Jeremiah Hacker and Sarah Read, born September, 1823; married Stephen Winslow, Dec. 2, 1852.

Tabitha, daughter of Noah and Mary, born at Windham, July 17, 1804; married Stephen Webb, Dec. 29, 1822, and lives in Windham. Children, — Albert, born Feb. 28, 1823; John M., June 29, 1824; Josiah B., Jan. 19, 1826; Caroline, Sept. 16, 1827; Noah R., May 16, 1829; Mary J., March 7, 1831; Nathan, Jan. 14, 1833; Eliza, Sept. 3, 1834; Stephen H., Jan. 25, 1836; William B., Jan. 23, 1838; Noah, Sept. 19, 1839; Benjamin Read, Sept. 13, 1841; Emma, Oct. 16, 1845; Martha M., July 5, 1851.

John M. Webb, son of Stephen Webb and Tabitha Read, born June 29, 1824; married Hannah Maybury, Aug. 14, 1845. Children, — Ellen F., born Nov. 1, 1846; Lucius A., Nov. 5, 1849; Caroline, March 25, 1851; Eliza J., July 30, 1857.

Josiah B., son of Stephen Webb and Tabitha, born Jan. 19,

1826; married Sarah Ann Lowell, Sept. 23, 1850. Children, — Hosanna, born March 1, 1854; Olive, May 23, 1858.

Jane, daughter of Noah and Mary, born April 27, 1806; married William Bailey, July 29, 1841, and lives at Windham. Child, — Lydia, born May 8, 1842.

Rufus, son of Noah and Mary, born March 5, 1809; married Martha M. Gerrish, Aug. 12, 1833, and lived at Portland. Children, — Julia Adelaide, born Jan. 27, 1835; Martha Gerrish, Dec. 9, 1837; Ellen L., Sept. 18, 1840; Rufus Scott, July 26, 1845. Rufus died Sept. 9, 1848: his wife died Sept. 26, 1847.

Noah, son of Noah and Mary, born Dec. 19, 1810; married Sarah Mead, May 16, 1832, and lives at Windham. Children, — George R., born Oct. 9, 1832, lives at Lynn; Augustus, born Aug. 28, 1834; Merriam, June 27, 1838, died Oct. 10, 1840; Rufus, born April 18, 1839; Mary, Aug. 3, 1847; Martha, Sept. 27, 1844; Sarah H., Dec. 10, 1850, died May 27, 1854.

Ann Elizabeth, daughter of John and Nancy, born Nov. 4, 1818; married William M. Hall, April 23, 1844. Children, — Nancy Read, born June 19, 1845; Horace H., April 19, 1848; Charles F., April 16, 1850. She died Nov. 2, 1851.

James Neal Read, son of John, born Oct. 17, 1820; married Rebecca Stevens, October, 1844. She died Sept. 11, 1854. Married, for second wife, Alice Dow, July 8, 1856.

John H., son of John Read, born Sept. 12, 1828; married Harriet B. Woodford, June 27, 1854.

4. Benjamin, son of Daniel and Elizabeth, born at Attleborough, Aug. 21, 1730; married Elizabeth. Children, — Benjamin and Betsy, born at Coventry, R.I., Aug. 14, 1761; George, Oct. 14, 1762; Esther, July 28, 1764; Anthony, Aug. 1, 1766, died Oct. 13, 1778; Martha, born Dec. 17, 1796, married Ezekiel Finner; Eunice, born Sept. 20, 1771, married Christopher Vaughn; Joseph, born Aug. 1, 1773;

Margaret, Jan. 16, 1776. The elder Benjamin died Sept. 7, 1798: his wife died March 13, 1809. He lived in Newport; and moved from there, at a time when Newport was likely to fall into the hands of the British, to Cranston; and finally settled in Coventry.

5. Benjamin, son of Benjamin and Elizabeth, born at Coventry, Oct. 17, 1761; married Hannah Remington. Children, — Anthony, born at Cranston, Aug. 1, 1785; Olney, 1787, died 1793; Thomas, born May 14, 1789; Anna, 1791, married Benjamin Arnold; Williams, born in 1793. Benjamin died in 1832. Lived in Coventry, on the homestead of his father. He was a New-light Baptist; as were also his children, except Anthony, who was a Quaker.

6. Anthony, son of Benjamin and Hannah, born at Cranston, Aug. 1, 1785; married Mary Congdon. Children, — Alfred, born at Coventry in 1807; Horace, 1813; Jabez W., 1820; Clarissa D., February, 1826. He lived at Coventry; and died at Warwick, Aug. 27, 1850, aged sixty-five.

7. Alfred, son of Anthony and Mary, born at Coventry in 1807; married Dorcas Arnold. Children, — Alfred, born at Warwick in 1839, died 1858; James, born in 1844. The elder Alfred lives at Warwick, and is a trader.

7. Horace, son of Anthony and Mary, born at Coventry in 1813; married Miss Sweet. Child, — Rodmond S., born at Providence in 1832. Horace is a trader in Providence.

7. Jabez W., son of Anthony and Mary, born at Coventry in 1820; married Caroline Congdon. Child, — Edward, born at Warwick in 1852. They live in Coventry.

6. Thomas, son of Benjamin and Hannah, born at Cranston, May 14, 1789; married Sarah Congdon. Children, — Benjamin, born at Cranston, May 21, 1811; George W., July 30, 1813; Harriet, Feb. 27, 1815; Lavina, Sept. 10, 1816, married William Taylor; William O., June 15, 1856, died in 1851. They live at Coventry.

7. Benjamin, son of Thomas and Sarah, born at Cranston, May 21, 1811; married Harriet Smith. Children, — Harriet N., born at Coventry in 1841, died in 1842; Harriet E., born July, 1843; Sarah C., April, 1847; Benjamin J., 1849. They live at Coventry.

7. George W., son of Thomas and Sarah, born at Cranston, July 30, 1813; married Sarah Briggs. Children, — Daniel B., born at Coventry, July, 1836; George B., November, 1838. They live in Warwick.

8. George B., son of George W. and Sarah, born at Coventry, November, 1838; married Elizabeth Potter, and lives in Warwick.

7. William O., son of Thomas and Sarah, born at Cranston; married Sarah B. Taylor. Children, — William O., born at Coventry in 1849; Anyerette, August, 1850. He died in Coventry in 1851.

6. Williams, son of Benjamin and Hannah, born at Cranston in 1793; married Freelove Potter. Children, — Bradford, born at Coventry, Oct. 25, 1822; Thomas H., Jan. 26, 1829. Williams died at Coventry in 1838.

7. Thomas H., son of Williams and Freelove, born at Coventry, Jan. 26, 1829; married Ruth Straight. Children, — Anna F., born at Coventry in 1851; John W., 1855, died. They live in Coventry.

7. Bradford, son of Williams and Freelove, born at Coventry, Oct. 25, 1822; married Sarah, daughter of John Read, and lives at Coventry.

5. George, son of Benjamin and Elizabeth, born at Coventry, Aug. 14, 1762; married Nancy Shelden; for second wife, Catherine Perkins; and for third, Rebecca Williams. Children, — Archimedes, born at Cranston, 1783; Polly, 1785; William and George, 1788; Betsy, 1790, married Samuel Mitchell; Thomas, born 1795. The elder George lived at Cranston and Plainfield, Conn. He died in 1856.

6. George, son of George and Nancy, born at Cranston, 1788. Child, — Josiah, born at Bristol, R.I., in 1817, and married Elizabeth A. Munroe. Children, — Martha O., born at Providence in 1843; Selena Edwards, 1846; William W., 1848; Benjamin, 1851; Ann E., 1853; Theodore A. A., 1856.

6. Archimedes, son of George, born at Cranston in 1783; married Susan Ellis. Children, — George W., born at Plainfield, Conn., 1818; Elvira M., 1820. He lived in Plainfield.

7. George W., son of Archimedes, born at Plainfield in 1818; has two daughters, and lives at Slatersville in Smithfield, R.I.

6. Thomas, son of George, born in 1795; married Sally Watson. Children, — Sally, born at Cranston in 1827; Margaret, 1829. He died at New York in 1853.

5. Joseph, son of Benjamin and Elizabeth, born at Coventry, Aug. 1, 1773; married Sabra Knight. Children, — Henry, born at Coventry, Aug. 7, 1801; Shelden, Sept. 8, 1808. Joseph died in 1835, on the homestead of his father, in Coventry.

6. Shelden, son of Joseph and Sabra, born at Coventry, Sept. 8, 1808; lives in Coventry, and is a man in good circumstances.

6. Henry, son of Joseph and Sabra, born at Coventry, April 7, 1801; married Phebe Waite. Children, — Almond, born at Coventry, June 8, 1823; Levi B. and Julia A., Dec. 31, 1824; Julia, married David Matherson; Rebecca W., born Jan. 10, 1827, married John Manchester; Henry, April 8, 1828; Sheffield W., Oct. 24, 1831; Cyril W., May 17, 1833; Joseph, July 18, 1834; Shelden, July 18, 1836; Christopher, Oct. 28, 1837; Phebe, March 24, 1841; Jane W., Sept. 24, 1842; Byron, April 7, 1845. Lives in Coventry.

7. Sheffield W., son of Henry and Phebe, born at Coventry, Oct. 24, 1831; married Sarah Barber. Child, — Emily J., born Oct. 24, 1856.

7. Almond, son of Henry and Phebe, born at Coventry, June 8, 1823; married Clarissa Andrews.

7. Levi B., son of Henry and Phebe, born at Coventry, Dec. 31, 1824; married Cynthia Potter. He married Abby Matherson for second wife. Children, — Cynthia, born in 1848; Melissa (by second wife), born in 1853; Selenda, 1855.

7. Henry, son of Henry and Phebe, born April 8, 1828; married Mary Franklin. Children, — Emer, born at Coventry in 1853; Anah, 1855.

7. Sheffield, son of Henry and Phebe, born at Coventry, Oct. 27, 1831; married Sarah Barker. Child, — Emily J., born at Providence, Oct. 24, 1856.

4. Nathan, son of James and Mary, born at Rehoboth, May 4, 1715; married Dorothy Titus, Jan. 29, 1735. Children, — James, born at Rehoboth, Aug. 1, 1736; David and Jonathan, Nov. 21, 1738, died; Dorothy, Feb. 1, 1740; Nancy, April 3, 1742; Nathan, Jan. 19, 1744; Mary, Jan. 29, 1745, died; Nathan, born Jan. 29, 1747; Mary, Dec. 31, 1749; Jonathan, Feb. 24, 1752; Ezra, Jan. 18, 1754; David, June 3, 1756; John, April 20, 1758, emigrated West.

5. Nathan, son of Nathan and Dorothy, born at Rehoboth, Jan. 29, 1747; married Hannah. Children, — Nathan, born at Rehoboth, Oct. 22, 1771; Hannah, April 14, 1773, married Sylvester Gellison; Mary, born Nov. 12, 1774, married Mason Vial; Abiel, born Aug. 30, 1776; Sarah, June 9, 1778, married Lewis Carpenter; Olive, April 23, 1780, married Comfort Allen; Rosey, born May 5, 1782, married a Wells; Nancy, born Feb. 16, 1784, married Olive Angell; Matilda, born April 2, 1786, died single.

6. Nathan, son of Nathan and Hannah, born at Rehoboth,

Oct. 22, 1771; married Sally Robinson. Children, — Sally, born at Attleborough, May 10, 1796, died in 1835; Alvan O., born March 29, 1798; Elijah R., July 20, 1802; Mary Ann, Dec. 4, 1804, died 1817; Nathan A., born Oct. 3, 1807; Edward S., Aug. 13, 1813. Married Bethiah Blanding for second wife. The elder Nathan is now living, and has never had a physician till recently.

7. Alvan O., son of Nathan and Sally, born at Attleborough, May 29, 1798; married Martha J. Roberts. Children, — Sarah A., born at Pawtucket, Jan. 15, 1827, married Henry M. Wilkinson; William W., born May 24, 1732. Alvan O. Read lives at Pawtucket, and is a manufacturer; has been town-clerk twenty years; is a justice of the peace, a commissioner for qualifying civil officers, and deacon of a church.

7. Nathan A., son of Nathan and Sally, born at Attleborough, Oct. 31, 1807; married Reliance Williams. Children, — Alvan A., born at Thomaston, Me., Sept. 30, 1833; Sarah F., March 27, 1836; Marietta S., Jan. 22, 1844; William H., Oct. 22, 1846. Nathan A. is, at present, in California; but his family reside in Thomaston.

7. Elijah R., son of Nathan and Sally, born at Attleborough, July 20, 1802; married, first, Lucinda Carpenter; and, second, Cynthia Lyon. Children, — Lucinda, born at Seekonk, Feb. 10, 1826, married Allen Brown; Elijah R., born Oct. 30, 1827; Jane, Nov. 1, 1829, married Ebenezer Tiffany; Julia Ann, born in Newburyport, Sept. 26, 1841; Nathan H., at Attleborough, April 6, 1844; George B., Dec. 24, 1848; Edward S., Aug. 31, 1853; Eva, May 4, 1856. Elijah R. lives at Attleborough.

7. Edward S., son of Nathan and Sally, born Aug. 13, 1813; married Sarah Ann Bates, May 8, 1817. Children, — Edward E., born at New Haven, May 6, 1839; Sarah E., Oct. 1, 1840; Alvin Orville, April 30, 1842; Ellen Frances,

Jan. 24, 1844; Jane Augusta, April 16, 1845; Charles H., Nov. 25, 1846; Mary L., Aug. 14, 1848; Frank H., Feb. 6, 1850; Samuel H., Oct. 9, 1854; Selia Adda, Sept. 15, 1856. They live at New Haven.

5. Jonathan, son of Nathan and Dorothy, born at Rehoboth, Feb. 24, 1752, and settled in Brookfield, Vt.; married Polly Umphrey. Children, — Polly, born in 1778; Jonathan, April, 1780; Dolly, July, 1783; Lot, July, 1785; David, 1787; Andrew, July, 1790; Fry Bailey, July, 1793; Lydia, 1795; Richard, 1797; Relief, 1800; Maria, 1804.

6. Andrew, son of Jonathan and Polly, born 1790 at Brookfield. Children, — David, born May 31, 1816; Andrew, Jan. 13, 1818; Mary, June 18, 1820; John A., Sept. 18, 1823; Maria, July 30, 1827; William, May 30, 1829; Chester, Aug. 16, 1831; George, May 17, 1834. They live in Brookfield.

5. Timothy, son of Noah and Abigail, born at Attleborough, Aug. 2, 1743; married Priscilla Hatch of Boston. Children, — Timothy, Michael, Horatio. The elder Timothy was in Bennington Battle, and had charge of the wounded.

6. Timothy, son of Timothy and Priscilla of Cumberland, born in February, 1768; had a son William, who lives in Madrid, N.Y. Timothy served in the Revolution, and drew a pension.

6. Michael, son of Timothy of Cumberland, born at Cumberland, formerly in Massachusetts, now in Rhode Island, Sept. 14, 1769; married Rebecca Mead. Children, — Drusilla, born Dec. 28, 1791, married John Wescott; Betsy, born at Charlotte, Vt., Jan. 31, 1794, married John Foot; Samantha, March 31, 1796, married Joseph Loomis; Amos, born Jan. 9, 1798; Orren, March 18, 1818; Louisa A., March 19, 1802, married Milo Fuller, March 28, 1854;

Minerva, April 23, 1807, married Amos Olin, Jan. 1, 1832, and lives at Canton, N.Y.

7. Samantha, daughter of Michael, married Joseph Loomis, June 24, 1813. Mr. Loomis was drowned in the St. Lawrence River. She married Stephen Smith, January, 1821. Mr. Smith died in 1838. She is now living in Brooklyn, N.Y.

7. Orren, son of Michael, born March 18, 1800; married Julia Powell, March 28, 1820. Children, — William Moulton, born Aug. 10, 1827; Carlton Willard, Oct. 21, 1834; Orren; Powell, Oct. 25, 1843.

8. William M., son of Orren, born Aug. 10, 1827; married Malinda Palmer, Sept. 10, 1848. William M. lives in Charlotte, Vt.

8. Carlton W., son of Orren, born Oct. 21, 1834; married Vienna Clark, Oct. 31, 1855. They live in Addison, Vt.

7. Amos, son of Michael, born at Charlotte, Vt., in 1798. Children, — Charles H., born March 10, 1830; George A., May 14, 1836, died in 1856.

8. Charles H., son of Amos, born March 10, 1830. Children, — Annie E., born at Lanesborough, March 29, 1854; Mary A., Jan. 16, 1856.

5. James, son of Nathan and Dorothy, born at Rehoboth, Aug. 1, 1736; married Elizabeth Carpenter, Sept. 3, 1761. Children, — Hopestill, born at Rehoboth, July 15, 1762; Ephraim and Lucy, Aug. 27, 1763; James, Aug. 12, 1765; Leafe, April 6, 1772; Elizabeth, Jan. 25, 1776; Freelove, Feb. 3, 1781.

5. David, son of Nathan and Dorothy, born at Rehoboth, June 3, 1756; married Abigail Dagget, Oct. 5, 1781. Children, — William, born at Rehoboth, July 31, 1782; David, Nov. 29, 1784; Obadiah; Aaron; Lewis, who died Jan. 6, 1823; Nathan Dagget, born Oct. 7, 1800; Abigail; Sally; Mary. David died in 1819: his wife died in 1837 or '8.

He settled in Swansey, N.H.; and was known as Deacon Read.

6. William, son of Deacon David, born July 31, 1782; married Charlotte Crane of Andover, Vt., December, 1813, and went to the State of New York. Children, — Adeline, Addison, Henry, Horatio, Betsy. He and his wife both died in 1847.

6. David, son of David and Abigail, born Nov. 29, 1784; married Lucy Thayer of Watertown, Mass., Aug. 14, 1809. Children, — Alexander Thayer, born May 19, 1810, died March 2, 1838; Charles Dagget, born March 30, 1812, lives at Philadelphia; Lucy Susanna, born Jan. 30, 1814, died March 5, 1814; Maria Louisa, born April 26, 1816; Gideon French Thayer, March 13, 1817; Nancy Pierce, Dec. 19, 1819; Lucy, May 17, 1822, died Sept. 5, 1854; George Wellington, born April 30, 1824, died August, 1855; James Bingham, born Dec. 9, 1826, died Oct. 8, 1847. The wife of David died Aug. 31, 1828. He married, for second wife, Lucinda Knight of Lancaster, Vt., Oct. 14, 1829. Children, — Missouri, born Nov. 14, 1840; Jackson, March 14, 1845; Newton, Oct. 30, 1849. David died June 1, 1855.

7. Maria Louisa, daughter of David and Lucy, born April 26, 1815; married Charles Jackson of Boston, Oct. 30, 1843. Children, — Helen Lucretia, born Aug. 14, 1844, died young; Lucy Reed, born May 30, 1846; Stephen Winchester, Jan. 16, 1848, died Nov. 9, 1849; Rebecca Louisa, born Jan. 2, 1850, died Jan. 28, 1851; Louis, born June 8, 1852; Horace, Dec. 24, 1853. They are now living at Philadelphia.

7. Gideon F. T., son of David and Lucy, born March 13, 1817; married Rebecca Thayer Jackson of Boston, Oct. 24, 1839. Children, — Rebecca Jackson, born Aug. 13, 1840, died June 27, 1845; Charles Alexander, born Dec. 12, 1841, died Feb. 23, 1842; Charles Alexander, born Aug. 1,

1843 ; Maria Louisa, Oct. 29, 1845 ; Albert Lincoln, April 3, 1847, died Feb. 23, 1850 ; Mary Pierce, born Oct. 3, 1849, died Feb. 28, 1857, in Paris. He kept a jeweller's store on the corner of Washington and Court Streets, Boston ; and his name is still to be seen over the door : but he has removed to Paris, France.

7. Nancy Pierce, daughter of David and Lucy, born Dec. 19, 1819 ; married Edward Richards Mayo of Boston, May 5, 1840. Children, — Elizabeth White, born March 29, 1841 ; Edward Davis, March 16, 1843, died March 26, 1849 ; Eliot Belknap, born July 3, 1848 ; Amy Louisa, Jan. 23, 1851 ; Charles Reed, Sept. 19, 1855. They live at No. 10, Warren Street, Boston.

7. Lucy, daughter of David and Lucy, born May 19, 1822 ; married Edwin Cowperthwait of Philadelphia, Jan. 21, 1851, and both died in Philadelphia.

6. Obadiah, son of Deacon David, married Mary Whitman of Jeffrey, N.H., and went to Rockford, Ill. Children, — Prescott Whitman, Mary Maria, Obadiah Stillman, David, Henry, Paschall, George.

6. Aaron, son of Deacon David, born in Swansey, N.H., April 31, 1791 ; married Mary Willson of Keene, Dec. 6, 1818. Children, — Franklin D., born Sept. 6, 1819 ; Mary M., May 10, 1822 ; Diantha P., Feb. 10, 1824, died Aug. 7, 1852 ; Henry W., born April 25, 1827, died March 19, 1832 ; William B., born Oct. 17, 1829 ; Charles I., April 15, 1832, died March 31, 1833 ; George F., born June 19, 1834 ; Sarah E., Sept. 2, 1836 ; Henry V.

7. Mary M., daughter of Aaron and Mary, born May 10, 1822 ; married Daniel L. Tollman, Aug. 20, 1851.

7. Sarah E., daughter of Aaron and Mary, born Sept. 2, 1836 ; married J. S. Herrick, Sept. 13, 1855.

7. William B., son of Aaron and Mary, born at Keene, Oct. 17, 1829 ; married Elizabeth M. Breen, Sept. 9, 1855.

7. George F., son of Aaron and Mary, born at Keene, June 19, 1834; married Elizabeth O. Eveleth, May 19, 1858.

6. Lewis, son of Deacon David, married Nancy Harvey of Swansey, N.H., Oct. 15, 1812. Children, — Nancy Palmyra, born April 9, 1813, died Jan. 18, 1838; Fanny K., born Feb. 8, 1815, died July 1, 1847; Lewis G., Sept. 17, 1816; Aurelia Maria, April 7, 1818, died Dec. 25, 1854; Pliny L., born Dec. 6, 1820; Diantha C., March 5, 1822; Charles Henry, May 15, 1823, died April 6, 1826.

7. Nancy Palmyra, daughter of Lewis and Nancy, born April 9, 1813; married George Wilcox of Swansey, N.H. Children, — Henry Harvey, born Dec. 15, 1831; Charles W., Aug. 2, 1834; Lewis L., Dec. 2, 1836, died August, 1837.

7. Aurelia Maria, daughter of Lewis and Nancy, born April 7, 1818; married George Wilcox of Surrey, N.H. Children, — Nancy Aurelia, June 18, 1843; George Lewis, March 19, 1841, died October, 1844; Mary Ella, born Oct. 22, 1849.

6. Nathan Dagget, son of Deacon David, born Oct. 17, 1800; married Charlotte Dwinnell of Keene, N.H., October, 1829. Children, — George Milton, born Nov. 1, 1834; Charles Warren, June 13, 1840; Martha Ann, May 6, 1842; Sarah Rebecca, Sept. 25, 1846.

6. Abigail, daughter of Deacon David, married David Willson of Keene, N.H., and went to Oxford, N.Y. Children, — Maria Louisa, Abigail, James.

6. Sally, daughter of Deacon David, married Caleb Wright of Keene, N.H. Children, — Calvin, Fanny, Roxanna, Eliza, Lorania, Emeline, Caroline, Charles, George, Daniel, Mary Ann, Lucy, Rebecca, Ellen, Martha. Mr. Wright married, for second wife, a widow with eight children; and the whole twenty-four were present at the wedding.

5. Ezra, son of Nathan and Dorothy, born at Rehoboth, Jan. 18, 1854; settled in Longdon, N.H.; married Patience Walker. Children, — Leonard, now living in Longdon; Arnold; Milley; Esther.

Col. John Read, from Rhode Island, was undoubtedly one of the descendants of John of Rehoboth, who stands at the head of this chapter; but I have no means of tracing his genealogy. He was the first white settler in the town of Erie, in Erie County, and State of Pennsylvania, in 1795, where he traded. A public-house in that place is known as the Read House, in honor of him. He left a son Rufus S. Read, who is President of the Erie Bank.

CHAPTER VII.

ELIAS READ, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

1. ELIAS, who is supposed to be a son of William Reade of Maidstone, in the county of Kent, professor of divinity, and his wife Lucy, was born in 1595; and the first that is known of him is in Woburn, Mass. He had sons William and Philip, who were both born in England.

2. Philip, the son of Elias, was born in 1623. He married Abigail. Their children were — Philip, born March 13, 1671; Jacob, Jan. 30, 1673; Abigail, Oct. 26, 1675; Amy, June 3, 1678. He was a physician, and settled first in Lynn. In 1669, he made a complaint against Margaret, the wife of John Gifford, for witchcraft. The complaint was not fully sustained; and, the Gifford Family being influential (Mr. Gifford being agent of the iron-works, — an important position in those times), it operated against the popularity of Dr. Reed; and he, the next year, moved to Concord, where he practised his profession many years. The unhappy effects of his controversy at Lynn followed him to Concord, where he was bitterly persecuted by or through the influence of the Gifford Family, and at one time went to jail for something growing out of it. He was one of the trustees of the estate of John Proctor of Salem, appointed in 1689. This Mr. Proctor is supposed to be the father of the person of the same name who was hung at Salem, for witchcraft, in 1692;

the principal evidence which contributed to his conviction being the testimony of the celebrated Cotton Mather, D.D., who testified that he had seen evil spirits come behind Mr. Proctor, and hold conversation with him, during the trial. Dr. Reed had an extensive practice in Concord, and many other towns in the counties of Middlesex and Essex. He died at Concord, May 10, 1696: his wife died April 16, 1709.

3. Philip, the son of Dr. Reed, was born at Concord, May 13, 1671. He married Thanks Dile, Dec. 6, 1698. Children, — Peter, born in 1700; David, May 25, 1710; John, Sept. 7, 1714. He was also a physician, and practised in Concord.

4. David, the son of Philip and Thanks, born at Concord, May 25, 1710; married Louis. Children, — Beulah, born Jan. 11, 1735; Philip, Aug. 6, 1736; David, April 7, 1738; Lydia, June 23, 1740; Silas, Feb. 23, 1742.

5. David, the son of David and Louis, born April 7, 1738; married Jemima, and settled in Newburyport. Children, — William, born Oct. 4, 1758; Moses, April 18, 1763; Louis, May 29, 1765; Stephen, Sept. 25, 1767; Anna.

6. William, the son of David and Jemima, born Oct. 4, 1758; married Patience Lervey of Cape Ann. Children, — Nancy, born Dec. 22, 1778; Anna, July 24, 1785, married Thomas Winden; Elizabeth, Oct. 26, 1786, married William Chase, May 5, 1811; William, Nov. 18, 1789; Nathaniel, June 18, 1793; Charles, Dec. 17, 1796, who married Polly Perry in 1818, and lives in Gloucester; James, born April 2, 1799. He was in the war of the Revolution and in that of 1812.

7. William, the son of William and Patience, born Nov. 18, 1789; married Lucinda Converse. Children, — Lucinda, born April 27, 1812, married Joseph Poor of Georgetown; Isaac, April 2, 1814, who died out West;

William, March 27, 1818; Sarah Ann; Nathaniel. He was in the war of 1812.

8. Lucinda, the daughter of William and Lucinda, born at Newburyport, April 27, 1812; married Joseph Poor of Georgetown. Their children are — Sarah Sophia, born at Georgetown, Nov. 15, 1835; Samuel Thurlow, Sept. 23, 1842; Joseph, Oct. 3, 1848, died 1849; Joseph Bailey, June 7, 1850; Alvan Clifton, Dec. 2, 1852.

8. Sarah Ann, the daughter of William and Lucinda, married Charles H. Hill, and lives in Westbrook, Me. Children, — Edgar, William, Ellen, Elvira.

8. Nathaniel, the son of William and Lucinda, married Pamelia Petit, and lives in Keokuck, Io.

7. William, the son of William and Lucinda, born March 27, 1818; married Sophia Ladd of Haverhill. Child, — Waldo, born June 2, 1850. He is a teacher in Newburyport.

5. Philip, the son of David and Louis of Lexington, went to Newburyport, and had a son of the same name, who married Elizabeth Foot in 1787. Children, — David, born Sept. 25, 1788; Elizabeth, Jan. 3, 1791; Caleb, Feb. 4, 1795; Mary, April 10, 1797; Moses, June 12, 1803; Micajah S., Jan. 12, 1808.

7. David, the son of Philip and Elizabeth, born Sept. 25, 1788; married Mary Wise, April 11, 1811. She died May 1, 1849. Children, — David, born Nov. 22, 1817; Moses, June 20, 1821. His widow died May 1, 1849, aged seventy-five.

8. David, the son of David and Mary, born Nov. 22, 1817; married Emily Jackman, Aug. 29, 1844. Child, — Henry A., born April 2, 1849.

8. Moses, the son of David and Mary, born June 20, 1821; married Abigail. Child, — Mary Abigail, born Oct. 24, 1846.

7. Caleb, the son of Philip and Elizabeth, born Feb. 4, 1795; married Mary Corliss in 1818. He married, for second wife, Hannah Jenkins, in 1822. Children, — Solomon and Annis. His widow married Joshua Clark.

8. Solomon, the son of Caleb and Mary, married Sarah Little; and they have three children.

7. Micajah S. Reed, son of Philip and Elizabeth, was born in Newburyport, Jan. 12, 1808; married Elizabeth C. Bachelder. Children, — Edward A., born in Newburyport, Sept. 9, 1837, died Oct. 7, 1853; Samuel W., Dec. 6, 1838; John B., May 22, 1840. He died Sept. 4, 1859. His widow and sons live at No. 18, Kent Street, Newburyport.

7. Nancy, the daughter of William and Patience, married Robert Cole. Children, — Robert, born October, 1795; Catherine, November, 1808; Eliza, April, 1811. She married Thomas Winder for second husband, and lives in Newburyport. Children, — Margaret, born May 12, 1813; Nathaniel, Feb. 2, 1818; Lydia, March 19, 1819; Sarah, Dec. 29, 1824.

8. Margaret, the daughter of Nancy Reed and Thomas Winder, married James Perkins; and they live in Water Street, Newburyport.

8. Annis, the daughter of Caleb Reed, married William Trevis. Children, — Eveline, Delia, and two others.

9. Eveline, the daughter of William Trevis and Annis Reed, married George Garsley.

9. Delia, the daughter of William Trevis and Annis Reed, married John Tolman.

4. Peter, son of Philip and Thankful, born about 1702; married Abigail, and settled in Lexington. Children, — Abijah, born May 18, 1727; Peter, Feb. 16, 1729; Sarah, April 26, 1736; Thomas, Nov. 3, 1739; Rebecca, May 24, 1743.

5. Peter, son of Peter and Abigail, born at Lexington,

Feb. 16, 1729; married Betty, and settled in Littleton. Children, — Betty, born Aug. 22, 1752, at Littleton; and Charles (twin of Betty); Abigail, July 15, 1754; Sarah and Abigail (twins), June 17, 1757; Walley, May 29, 1759. He appears to have married Dorothy Parker of Westford for second wife; published Aug. 22, 1772.

5. Abijah, son of Peter and Betty of Littleton, married Elizabeth Boynton in 1786, and settled in Westford. Child, — Elizabeth, born Dec. 31, 1787. His wife died August, 1789. Married, for second wife, Susanna Coleman in 1793. Children, — Susan, born June 21, 1794; Abijah, Feb. 16, 1796; Orphah, Feb. 1, 1798; Pamelia, Nov. 27, 1799; Jeremy B., Nov. 9, 1801; Charles H., March 29, 1804; Mary Ann, Feb. 8, 1808, died in 1832; Nancy Jane, May 27, 1810; James M., April 30, 1813; Elvira M., April 7, 1816, died Feb. 9, 1835. He died in 1844, aged ninety years.

6. Abijah, son of Abijah and Elizabeth of Westford, born Feb. 16, 1796; married Sarah Locke of Boston. Children, — Sarah, born Sept. 24, 1831; Susan, Jan. 3, 1833; James H., July 9, 1835; Frances A., Dec. 22, 1836; Georgianna, April 5, 1839, died April 5, 1854. His wife died in Nashua in 1856.

6. Jeremy, son of Abijah and Susanna, born Nov. 9, 1806; married Louisa Hildreth in 1823. Children, — Elizabeth H., born Feb. 19, 1824; Harriet A., Feb. 28, 1825, married Joseph Wright in 1844; Martha Louisa, May 19, 1827. His wife died Sept. 6, 1827. Married, for second wife, Nancy Parker. Children, — Nancy, born Oct. 30, 1831, married Jefferson Wright of Littleton in 1850; Charles B., Dec. 7, 1833; Elvira M., Nov. 20, 1835; Ellen A., Aug. 31, 1839.

5. Thomas, son of Peter and Abigail, born at Lexington, Nov. 3, 1739; married Lucy Farrer of Concord, May 11, 1764, and settled in Littleton. Children, — Peter, born April 14, 1765; Thomas, Jan. 23, 1767; Simon, Aug. 31,

1763; Lucy, July 9, 1770; Asa F., Sept. 20, 1772; Diadamor, Dec. 22, 1774; Polly, May 5, 1777; Barnard, April 27, 1780; Theodore, Sept. 9, 1782; Sukey, Aug. 31, 1785.

6. Theodore, son of Thomas and Lucy, born Sept. 9, 1782; married Hannah. Children, — Hannah, born in Acton, Nov. 24, 1816; Louisa Frances, July 10, 1818; Theodore, Jan. 6, 1820; Clarissa, Dec. 17, 1822: all born at Acton.

4. John, son of Philip and Thanks of Concord, born Sept. 7, 1714; married Abiel Butterfield, Feb. 3, 1737, and settled in Westford. Children, — Sarah, born June 16, 1738; John, Sept. 1, 1740; Abigail, July 21, 1743; Willard, Aug. 15, 1746; Simeon, who moved to Ludlow in Vermont, and died in 1783.

5. Simeon, son of John and Abiel, married Sarah Cummings. Children, — Samuel Adams, Sarah, Mary, Simeon, Samson, Lydia, Nathan, Betsy, Rebecca, Ransom, Alpheus. He was in the battle of Bunker Hill. He died in Ludlow, Vt.

6. Samuel, Simeon, and Alpheus, sons of Simeon, moved to Ohio.

6. Ransom, son of Simeon and Sarah, married Mary Sprague of Billerica. Children, — Charles F.; Marietta, who is the wife of Paran Stevens, the keeper of the Revere House; Caroline, married George F. Richardson of Lowell; William Henry; Fanny; Harriet; Anna. He lives in Lowell, but keeps a store in Boston, and is a man of wealth.

5. Willard, son of John and Abiel, born Aug. 15, 1746; married Olive Minot, Nov. 30, 1774. Children, — John, born March 20, 1775; Willard, Jan. 18, 1777; Joseph, July 22, 1779, died Sept. 22, 1853; Seth, Aug. 24, 1781, moved to Milwaukie; Olive, Oct. 16, 1783; Sally, March 30, 1786, married Frederick Fausel; Anna, May 2, 1788, married a Smith; Polly, May 1, 1790, married F. Leighton; Asa, Dec. 23, 1792.

6. Willard, son of Willard and Olive, born Jan. 18, 1777; married Mariam White in 1800. Children, — Jonathan M., Jan. 20, 1804; Joseph, July 20, 1806. He lived at Chelmsford Centre, and died Oct. 12, 1850.

7. Jonathan Minot, son of Willard, born Jan. 20, 1804; married Sarah Fausel, Oct. 19, 1840. Child, — Frederick M., born —— 28, 1841. He lives in Lowell; is a justice of the peace, and has been in other public business.

7. Joseph, the son of Willard, is a justice of the peace in Chelmsford; has been a member of the Legislature, and a man of large property; married Leonora Spaulding for first, and Maria Eaton for second wife. Children of Joseph and Leonora, — Joseph Willard, March 25, 1833; Charles Spaulding, April 29, 1835; George E., born Jan. 17, 1838; Caroline Augusta, Nov. 1, 1839; Martinee, Aug. 10, 1845; Catherine Augusta, Dec. 5, 1846.

6. Samson, son of Simeon and Sarah, married Armina Green, and died young; and his widow afterwards married a Jennings; and, for third husband, Jonas Reed of Chester, Vt. Samson left one daughter, who married L. Barton of Ticonderoga, N.Y.

6. Peter, son of Thomas and Lucy, born April 14, 1765; married Sally Parker of Westford in 1789.

6. Thomas, son of Thomas and Lucy of Littleton, born Jan. 23, 1767; married Anne. Children, — Sophia, born June 2, 1792; Amory, Oct. 28, 1794; Arvada Lucinda, Sept. 28, 1799.

6. Orphah, son of Abijah and Susanna, born at Westford, Nov. 27, 1779; married ——.

6. Joseph, son of Willard and Olive, born July 22, 1779; married Abigail Winn of Wilmington. Children, — Abigail W., born March 11, 1811, and died Sept. 10, 1831; Alpheus, born Nov. 3, 1815, married Sarah S. Parker in 1849; Anan, born Jan. 1, 1818, married Almira S. Fletcher in 1850; Betsy

W., born April 1, 1819, married Ivory H. Howe of Methuen in 1846; Alonso, born June 29, 1823, died July 24, 1824; Amanda L., born June 9, 1827. He lived on the old homestead in Westford, and was called Capt. Reed. He died September, 1854.

7. Alpheus, son of Joseph and Abigail, born Nov. 3, 1815; married Sarah S. Parker in 1849. Children, — Alonso Parker, born March 31, 1850; Martha J., Oct. 18, 1853.

7. Anan, son of Joseph and Abigail, born Jan. 1, 1818; married Almira S. Fletcher in 1850. Children, — Eleanor, March 4, 1851; Warren A., Jan. 20, 1853. He lives on the homestead.

6. Seth, son of Willard and Olive, born July 24, 1781; married Rhoda Finney. Children, — Julianna, born Feb. 11, 1806; George, Nov. 10, 1807; Orison, Sept. 7, 1809; Mary Augusta, May 23, 1811; Harrison, Aug. 26, 1813 (the above were born in Littleton); Cortes, born in Westford, March 27, 1815, moved to Milwaukie.

6. Asa, son of Willard and Olive, born Dec. 23, 1792; married Betsy Prescott. Children, — Rufus, born Sept. 6, 1818; Olive, Nov. 20, 1821. He died July 8, 1826; and his widow married Elijah M. Reed of Tewksbury.

7. Rufus, son of Asa and Betsy, born Sept. 16, 1818; married Martha E. Dodge of Nashua. Children, — Lizzie Mason, born Aug. 9, 1850; Albion Rufus, Oct. 27, 1852. He is a merchant in Lawrence, of extensive business.

6. John, son of Willard and Olive, born March 20, 1775; married Sally Wright. Children, — John, born Aug. 9, 1805, lives in Nashua; Walter, April 1, 1807, lives in Merrimack, N.H.; Lowell, Feb. 13, 1810, lives in Salem, N.H.; Sally, March 12, 1812; Dana, March 22, 1814; Willard, June 11, 1816, lives in Merrimack; Olive, May 15, 1824.

6. Barnard, son of Thomas and Lucy of Littleton, born at

Littleton, April 7, 1780. Children, — Barnard, who died at Westford in 1855; and Mary Jane, who died in 1844.

3. Jacob, son of Dr. Philip of Concord, and grandson of Elias, born at Concord, Jan. 30, 1673; married Elizabeth Low, April 10, 1699. Children, — William; Jacob.

4. Jacob, son of Jacob and Elizabeth, married and settled in Sudbury. Child, — Jacob, who married Experience. Children, — Thomas, born in Sudbury in 1730; Jacob, Dec. 2, 1732; Isaac, Jan. 15, 1731; Experience, who married a Childs of Framingham; Molly, married a Puffer of Westminster; Sarah, married a Seaver of Westminster; Ruth, married a Noyes of Shrewsbury; Lois, married a Hill of Framingham.

6. Jacob, son of Jacob and Experience, born at Sudbury, Dec. 2, 1732; married Patience Goodrew, Feb. 28, 1757. Children, — Abel, born at Sudbury, Dec. 27, 1752; Asahel; Jacob, July 21, 1754; Sarah, December, 1760, married Ezekiel Stone of Framingham; Eunice, married Dr. Moses Tuft, who died July 12, 1800 (married, for second husband, Reuben Moor of Sudbury); Pendy, Nov. 8, 1772, died Dec. 18, 1792; Ruth, who married Samuel Staples of East Sudbury, now Wayland, July 31, 1788; Bathsheba, who married a Bisco; Relief, married Samuel Warren; Nancy, married Lawson Buckminster of Framingham; Ezekiel, who lives in Framingham; Curtis, died unmarried; Susan, married Levi Eaton of Framingham. He died Oct. 4, 1797, aged sixty-five: his wife died Feb. 2, 1795, aged fifty-seven.

7. Abel, son of Jacob and Patience, born Dec. 24, 1752; married Hannah Gleason of Framingham, formerly part of Sudbury, June 20, 1785, and moved to Rutland. Children, — Abel, born Jan. 28, 1792; Jacob, Oct. 1, 1797.

8. Abel, son of Abel and Hannah, born at Rutland, Jan. 28, 1792; married Polly. Children, — Mary Anna, born Jan. 31, 1825; Charles Emerson, Nov. 15, 1827; Mar-

tha Augusta, May 31, 1832; Marie Antoinette, March 5, 1837; Mira Amelia, July 12, 1845. He lives in Rutland.

8. Jacob, son of Abel and Hannah, born Oct. 1, 1797; married Hannah Maynard, Dec. 5, 1826, and lives at No. 55, Chandler Street, Worcester. Children, — Hannah A., born Sept. 14, 1828; Lydia R., May 1, 1829; Mary J., May 25, 1832; Isabella S., July 9, 1834; Eunice A., Feb. 7, 1837; Hannah A., February, 1846.

8. Lydia R., daughter of Jacob and Hannah, born May 1, 1829; married Walter Warren, Feb. 6, 1849.

8. Isabella, daughter of Jacob and Hannah, born July 9, 1834; married William T. Wildes, August, 1852.

7. Jacob, son of Jacob and Patience of Sudbury, born July 21, 1754; married Betsy Gleason, Feb. 5, 1781. Children, — Micajah, born Dec. 1, 1781; Asahel, Sept. 7, 1783; Charlotte, Aug. 4, 1785; Hannah, May 1, 1787; Betsy, May 7, 1784. He died at Sudbury, Nov. 15, 1795.

8. Micajah, the son of Jacob and Betsy, born Dec. 1, 1781; married Ruth Gleason, and moved to Hubbardston. Children, — George W.; Eliza, who married Benjamin Clark, and died in Boston; Mehitabel N., who married William Stowe of Hubbardston; Sophia P.; Samuel G.; Joseph B., who is in California; Hannah, who married George Wilbur of Boston; Charles, who was drowned at Hubbardston. He was a representative from Petersham ten years, and was also a member from Hubbardston after he removed to that place.

9. Samuel G., the son of Micajah and Ruth, married Caroline Webster of Salem. Children, — Carrie; Georgianna; Eliza Clark; George E. Webster; Ruth, who died young. He keeps at No. 85, State Street, Boston. He was born March 4, 1816; went to Boston, March 4, 1833; went into business on his own account, March 4, 1837; had a *soirée* on board one of his clipper-ships called the "Shooting Star,"

March 4, 1851, — a singular routine of events of that date, and the result of which has been uncommon success.

7. Asahel, son of Jacob and Patience, was brutally murdered by the British at Lexington Fight. Having been taken prisoner, they were about to shoot him; when he begged for his life, taking out his purse containing his money, and a ring valuable for the affection it represented. After taking his money, they discharged a musket at his hips, breaking his legs; and another at his head, holding the muzzle close to his head, and singeing his hair at the same time that they blew his brains out. He held a cornet's commission, and was known as Cornet Read.

7. Ruth, daughter of Jacob and Patience, married Samuel Staples of East Sudbury, now Wayland. Children, — Samuel, born Nov. 13, 1788, died unmarried, April 5, 1850; William Read, Oct. 10, 1798.

7. Sarah, daughter of Jacob and Patience, married Ezekiel Howe of Framingham. Child, — Sarah, who married John Trowbridge of Cambridgeport, leaving children.

7. Bathsheba, daughter of Jacob and Patience, married Mr. Bisco, a partner in business with John Trowbridge. He is dead. She is living with a son who is a clergyman, in Grafton, Mass.

7. Nancy, daughter of Jacob and Patience, married Lawson Buckminster, and died at the house of her daughter, in Philadelphia.

7. Susan, daughter of Jacob and Patience, married Levi Eaton of Framingham. Children, — Levi, who married Sarah B. Ruggles of Providence, and had a family of children; Winthrop, who married a Valentine of New-York City one child, living; Cintis, died unmarried; Eveline, who married William Read Staples.

8. William Read, son of Samuel Staples and Ruth Read, born Oct. 10, 1798; married Eveline, daughter of Levi Eaton

of Framingham, and Susan Read, daughter of Jacob and Patience. Hon. William Read Staples and Eveline are second cousins. They have eight children living; having buried three. They live in Providence. He has been Chief-Justice of the Supreme Court of Rhode Island; and is, at the present time, President of the Rhode-Island Antiquarian Society.

6. Thomas, son of Thomas and Abigail, born at Sudbury, Feb. 23, 1704; married Sarah; and was, in 1725, the third settler in that town, on Lot No. 22. Children, — Jason, born in 1732; Thomas, born in Rutland, Sept. 10, 1733; Jonathan, Nov. 28, 1738; Micah, May 13, 1742; Mary, May 11, 1736.

7. Jason, son of Thomas and Sarah, born in Rutland, 1732; married Zeruiah Nurse in 1756, and settled on the north-east part of the Sewell Farm, and land formerly of Jonas Stone of Lexington. Children, — Sarah, born Feb. 4, 1758; Enos, Dec. 3, 1760; Anna, Nov. 14, 1762; Ama, July 21, 1766; Betty, June 4, 1765; Patty, June 2, 1770; Zeruiah, July 18, 1768; Bathsheba, April 29, 1772; Jason, March 25, 1775. Married Mary for second wife. Child, — Amos H., Jan. 20, 1792. He died March 1, 1813, aged eighty-one.

8. Jason, son of Jason and Zeruiah, born at Rutland, March 25, 1775; married Nabby. Children, — Dexter, born Nov. 29, 1801; Eliza, March 10, 1803; Melissa, Feb. 6, 1805; Clarissa and Clarinda, Dec. 4, 1806; James Madison, March 10, 1810; Adeline, Feb. 8, 1814; Albert, April 14, 1815.

6. Thomas, son of Thomas and Sarah, born at Rutland in 1733; married Hannah Nurse in 1756. Children, — Hannah, who married Micah Howe; Joel, married Abigail Newton; Lucy, married Jonathan Howe; John, married Lydia Watson, and, for second wife, Mary Mason; Bath-

sheba, married Alpheus Foster ; Sarah, married Barzela Miles ; Thomas, married Lucinda Wheeler ; Daniel, married Rebecca Ames.

Thomas, son of Thomas and Hannah, born at Rutland, Feb. 14, 1772 ; married Lucinda Wheeler. Children, — Abigail, born Feb. 20, 1794 ; Lucinda, Aug. 26, 1800 ; Abigail Wheeler, Feb. 16, 1804 ; Thomas Lyman, Feb. 2, 1805 ; Mary Jemima, Jan. 2, 1810, married Rev. William Murdock ; Lorenzo and Lorena, born Sept. 20, 1811.

Daniel, son of Thomas and Hannah, born at Rutland, May 9, 1774 ; married Rebecca. Children, — Eliza and Louisa, Aug. 16, 1798 ; Almira, March 5, 1801 ; John, April 22, 1803 ; Rebecca, April 7, 1808 ; Daniel, Sept. 4, 1805 ; Harriet Ann, April 17, 1810.

Col. John, son of Thomas and Hannah, born April 26, 1763 ; married Lydia. Children, — John, born Sept. 1, 1788 ; Joseph, Jan. 1, 1791 ; Hannah, born in Claremont, N.H., May 10, 1794, married Esquire Adams of Medfield, Mass.

John, son of Col. John of Rutland, born Sept. 1, 1788 ; married Mary Hale, Sept. 10, 1810. Children, — Samuel F. ; Lydia W.

Samuel F., son of John, and grandson of Col. John, married Adaline Wadsworth. Children, — Mary Louisa, Charles E., Julia A., Eliza W., Marietta. He keeps at No. 5, Quincy Market, Boston.

Daniel, son of Thomas and Abigail, born at Sudbury, May 19, 1714 ; married Rebecca Mead, April 13, 1737. Children, — John, born Aug. 13, 1737, married Elizabeth Mellen, and moved to Dedham ; Daniel, born Feb. 24, 1739 ; Rebecca, Feb. 22, 1742, married Daniel Winch, jun. ; Ann, born in Rutland, April 3, 1747. He and his son Daniel died of the small-pox in 1759, and were buried on the farm in Rutland.

John, son of Daniel, born Aug. 13, 1737; married Elizabeth Davis, Aug. 25, 1760. Child, — Daniel, born in 1761.

Daniel, son of John and Elizabeth, born in 1761; married in Westborough to Sarah Brigham; published Dec. 6, 1783. Children, — Joseph, born in Westborough, May 14, 1784; Davis, April 17, 1786; Alexander H., June 16, 1804; Elijah. He moved to Wardsborough, Vt.; and was in the Revolutionary War, and a general of militia in Vermont. He died in Wardsborough, Aug. 31, 1845. His son Joseph died Nov. 2, 1849, aged sixty-five.

Davis, son of Gen. Reed, lives in Wardsborough, and has three children, names not given.

Alexander H., son of Gen. Reed of Wardsborough, born at Wardsborough, June 16, 1804; married Serena Graig, July 6, 1835. Children, — Cordelia S., born in Boston, Jan. 11, 1836; Alexander D., Jan. 11, 1838; Charles B., born in Cambridgeport, April 19, 1839, died Dec. 27, 1840; Andrew Jackson, Oct. 8, 1845; Henry Hamilton, Oct. 7, 1847; Franklin D., Oct. 10, 1849, died July 8, 1850. His wife died in Cambridgeport, Nov. 2, 1849. Married, for second wife, Eunice W. Melvin, Oct. 7, 1854.

Jonathan, son of Thomas and Sarah, born in 1738; married Hannah Mayhew in 1766, and settled on the homestead with his father. Children, — Molly, born July 4, 1767; John, April 13, 1770. He died of a cancer.

John, son of Jonathan and Hannah, born at Rutland, April 3, 1770; married Hannah Dwilla, Nov. 17, 1791. Children, — John, born May 20, 1793; Lemuel, Dec. 16, 1794; Harriet, July 3, 1800; Hannah, Sept. 29, 1802. He settled in Holden, afterwards set off to West Boylston, where his descendants now live.

John, son of John of West Boylston, born May 20, 1793. Children, — John G., born in 1821; George, in 1823.

John G., son of John of West Boylston. Child, — Amelia, born in 1846.

George, son of John of West Boylston. Child, — George, born in 1856.

7. Daniel, son of Thomas and Hannah of Rutland, born May 9, 1774; married Rebecca. Children, — Eliza and Louisa, born Aug. 16, 1798; Almira, March 5, 1801; John, —— 22, 1803; Rebecca, April 7, 1808; Daniel, Sept. 4, 1805; Harriet Ann, April 17, 1810.

4. Joseph, — son, probably, of Jacob and Elizabeth, and grandson of Dr. Philip, — married Sarah Rice of Sudbury, Nov. 26, 1723. Child, — Bethiah, born Aug. 1, 1725; married Moses Towne of Oxford.

5. Joseph, who married Sarah. Child, — Joseph, Oct. 5, 1773; died in Wayland, formerly East Sudbury, December, 1845.

7. Isaac, son of Jacob and Experience of Sudbury, married Ruth Brown, April 15, 1794. Children, — Clarissa, born Dec. 18, 1794; Isaac, March 23, 1797; Webster; George, Nov. 4, 1813. He lived in Waltham, and was known as Capt. Isaac Reed.

8. Isaac, son of Isaac and Ruth, born March 23, 1797; married Eunice Tibbets. Children, — William, born in 1829; Roxanna, June 25, 1832; Ruth, March 18, 1835; Harriet, Oct. 22, 1841. He lives at Amesbury Mills.

8. Webster, son of Isaac and Ruth, had George H., born Oct. 19, 1840; Charles E., Nov. 10, 1843. He is deceased, and his orphan children live at Amesbury Mills with his brother Isaac.

9. George, son of Isaac and Ruth, born Nov. 4, 1813; married Nancy. Children, — Ellen, born May 3, 1837; Georgianna, June 3, 1839. He died in Waltham, Oct. 2, 1854.

2. Thomas, son of Elias, settled in Sudbury; and died July 25, 1659, leaving a son Thomas.

3. Thomas, son of Thomas of Sudbury, married Mary Bigelow. Children, — Thomas, Matthew, Benjamin, Edmond. He was made freeman in 1656. He died in 1701: his wife died in 1707.

4. Thomas, son of Thomas and Mary of Sudbury, married Mary Wood, May 30, 1667. Children, — Thomas, born May 22, 1678; Elizabeth, married Nathaniel Wilson, Dec. 28, 1709. He was appointed a committee to lay out highways in 1664; was rated to build a bridge in 1693. His wife died in 1724.

5. Thomas, son of Thomas and Mary of Sudbury, born May 22, 1678; married Abigail Bacon, July 1, 1708, for second wife. Children by first wife, — Nathaniel, Oct. 6, 1702; Isaac and Thomas, Feb. 23, 1704; Catherine, January, 1707. By second wife, — Mary, born May 1, 1711; Abigail, Feb. 12, 1713, married Daniel Winch of Framingham, March 11, 1742; Daniel, May 19, 1714; Betsy, June 16, 1716; Lydia, Aug. 20, 1718; Joseph, Dec. 4, 1722.

6. Nathaniel, son of Thomas and Abigail of Sudbury, born Oct. 6, 1702; married Phebe Lamb. Children, — Reuben, born Nov. 2, 1730; Joshua, Dec. 14, 1732; Phebe, Jan. 28, 1734, married Joshua Harrington of Brookfield in 1754; Lydia, born March 13, 1736, married Jonathan Danforth in 1759; Mary, born Jan. 30, 1738, married Judith Cutler in 1759; Nathan, born March 8, 1740; Persis, married a Levins; Martha, born Sept. 26, 1743, married Henry Waldridge in 1762; Abigail, born March 17, 1746, married Thomas Cutler of Lexington in 1764; Ruth, born Jan. 31, 1747, married William Gree, Oct. 16, 1769; Nathaniel, born March 16, 1749; Eunice, Aug. 4, 1751; Nathan, Oct. 1, 1758. He settled in that part of Brookfield which is now a portion of the town of Warren. He was a large landholder, his farm consisting of fourteen hundred acres.

7. Reuben, son of Nathaniel and Phebe of Brookfield, born Nov. 2, 1730; married Tamerson Meachem of Enfield in 1754. Children, — Reuben, born Jan. 20, 1756; Elizabeth, Oct. 26, 1757, married Daniel Foster, the minister of New Braintree; Nathan, born July 2, 1759; Nathaniel, April 4, 1762; Joshua, Jan. 20, 1764; Sarah, April 29, 1768; Tamerson, Dec. 25, 1769, married Lieut. William Eastman of Granby, Sept. 5, 1794; Levi, born July 17, 1773, married Lucinda Morgan of Brimfield. He was a major of militia in the Revolution, and a man of note. He died May 26, 1803, on the old homestead in Warren, aged seventy-three.

6. Reuben, son of Reuben and Tamerson, born Jan. 20, 1756; married Hannah Cheney in 1779. Children, — Daniel, born Dec. 9, 1781, married Mary Smith, April 14, 1803, and died Dec. 17, 1843, aged sixty-three; Persis, married Joseph Eaton of Granby; Hannah, married Parley Damon; Reuben, born 1791; Nathan, who died in 1856; Waldo, married Celista Howell, 1822.

6. Joshua, son of Reuben and Tamerson, born Jan. 20, 1764; married Anna Chaplin, 1790. Children, — Tammy, born Sept. 25, 1791, married Sherbec Foster, June 4, 1812; Lois, born April 12, 1793; Joshua, March 17, 1798; George W., Dec. 11, 1799.

7. Waldo, son of Reuben and Hannah, married Celista Hamilton in 1822. Children, — Persis Jane, born in Weston, March 26, 1823; Henry Dwight, Dec. 3, 1824; Louisa, Jan. 6, 1827; Mary Ann, born in Brookfield, April 11, 1835; Julia Ann, born March 11, 1837; Waldo E., May 6, 1839.

6. Reuben, son of Reuben and Hannah, born 1791; married Sophrona Cheney. Children, — Mary Jane, born May 17, 1830; William, Nov. 15, 1831; Heman, April 30, 1833; Warren, Dec. 10, 1834, died at sea; Reuben C., born March 11, 1836, died Oct. 20, 1857; Sarah M., born Feb. 15,

1838; Emily, July 2, 1839, died Sept. 29, 1857; Martin, born Feb. 4, 1841, —— Sept. 8, 1856; Laura, born Aug. 3, 1843, died Nov. 1, 1857; Mary Ann, born April 8, 1846, died Nov. 2, 1856; Alanson, born June 7, 1847, died Nov. 5, 1856. He was a prosperous farmer, and died Sept. 27, 1857; making eight deaths in the family in two or three years. Surely the messenger of death laid his hand heavily upon this family, as it is almost unprecedented in the New-England States since the time of small-pox in 1720, '21, and '22; when it was so prevalent and fatal, that, in some places, the old records note those deaths not of small-pox, and some families became almost extinct by its ravages.

7. Nathan, son of Reuben and Hannah, married Eliza Mills in 1820. Children, — Nathan G., born July 24, 1821; Emeline A., June 13, 1824; John B., April 4, 1828; Nathaniel, March 24, 1830; Cyrus, June 17, 1832; Frances E., June 20, 1834; Columbus F., November, 1836; Mary E., Feb. 21, 1839; Freeman, March 2, 1840, died Aug. 9, 1856.

7. George W., son of Joshua and Anna of Warren, born Dec. 11, 1799; married Julia Ann Hamilton of Hampton, Conn., in 1825. Child, — Samuel G., born 1833; died June 17, 1846.

6. Nathaniel, son of Reuben and Tamerson of Warren, born April 4, 1762; settled in Cambridge, in the State of Vermont, in 1800, where he died in 1842, aged eighty years. Children, — Rensselaer; Nathaniel, who is a lawyer in Cambridge, Vt.; Virgis; Adeline, married a Story; Horace; Thomas; George W.; Tamerson, married Walter Germain; David, born in Warren, Mass., July 24, 1799, and admitted to the bar in Franklin County, Vt., in 1823.

7. David, son of Nathaniel of Cambridge, Vt., born July 24, 1799; married Judith M. Hazelton, Feb. 2, 1824. Children, — Adeline M., born July 4, 1825; Eldon W., July 7, 1827, died Aug. 19, 1835; Harriet Sophia, July 14,

1829, died Aug. 30, 1831. His wife died May 30, 1831. Married Emily Marsh, Oct. 15, 1832. Children, — James M., born Nov. 19, 1833, graduated at Unity College in 1853, and resides in New-York City, an associate editor of the "Courier and Enquirer;" William J., born Oct. 10, 1840, died Dec. 4, 1841; Ogdon B., born Sept. 16, 1843; Edward M., July 15, 1846. He resides, and practises law, at Winooska Falls in Vermont.

7. Rensselaer, son of Nathaniel of Cambridge, Vt. Children, — Charles Rensselaer, born in Fairfield, Aug. 6, 1810; Silas H.; Maria, who married Warren Root of Burlington; Hannah, married Lanson Read of Columbus, O.

8. Charles R., son of Rensselaer, born at Fairfield, Vt., Aug. 6, 1810; married Sally Smith of Fairfield, March 6, 1831. Children, — Rensselaer Smith, born July 8, 1832; Sarah Sophia, Jan. 1, 1836; Ephraim S., May 1, 1839; Charles Joab, Feb. 27, 1843; Julius Herbert, Nov. 7, 1845.

9. Rensselaer S., son of Rensselaer, born July 8, 1832; married Henrietta Warren, July 4, 1856. Child, — Cora Adella, born Aug. 1, 1857.

Hon. Nathan Read was born at Western (now Warren), in the county of Worcester, Mass., July 2, 1759. He was the son of Major Reuben Read, who was born at Sudbury, Mass., Nov. 2, 1730, and who held the rank of major in a regiment of minute-men, in the Revolutionary War, raised under the command of Major-Gen. Ward. After the capture of Burgoyne's army at Saratoga, Major Read was detailed by Gen. Heath, who then had the command of the eastern division of the army, to take the charge of the Hessian and British troops, then prisoners of war at Cambridge; and who soon after removed them to Rutland, in the county of Worcester. He (Reuben) was the son of Capt. Nathaniel Read, who was one of the early settlers of Warren; took up a large tract of land there; and who, under his good management, and taste for agricultural life, soon rendered his farm very productive and valuable. In early life he learned the carpenter's trade, and always kept on hand a good set

of tools, which enabled him to make his own farming utensils and erect his own buildings; which at that early day, when mechanical labor was difficult to be had, was a matter of no small moment to him. He had the reputation of being a man of great industry and perseverance, and proverbially just in all his dealings and transactions in life. He died June 9, 1785, at the advanced age of eighty-one years. He resided upon a portion of the farm throughout his life, and made agriculture his employment, save the time he spent in the Revolutionary service. He was a man of much activity, and fixedness of purpose. He died at his residence in Warren, May 26, 1803, in the seventy-third year of his age; leaving five sons, among whom Nathan was the second.

The grandmother's maiden name was Phebe Lamb. She was a woman noted for her benevolence and piety. The mother's maiden name was Tamison Eastman, from Enfield, Conn.: she was cousin to Gen. Green of Rhode Island, who, in the Revolution, was next in command to Gen. Washington.

Nathan resided at home with his parents, and occasionally with his grandparents, until he was fifteen years of age, and worked on the farm; their farms being distinct, but adjoining each other. In the autumn of 1776, having previously had but very little opportunity, he was sent to Rev. Samuel Willard's school, at Stafford, about three months; where he was taught arithmetic, English grammar, and Burr's Latin grammar. He then returned home, and attended the town-school about two months, kept by Mr. Dwight Foster, an undergraduate of Brown University. The spring following, he went to Mr. Nathan Goddard's private school, in Shrewsbury; where he commenced the study of Greek. Mr. Goddard being soon after called away to preach for several months as a candidate for the ministry, he was under the necessity of seeking a new instructor; and entered the school of a clergyman in a neigboring town, prosecuted his Greek, and prepared himself, as far as he could under the disadvantages and limited time that was allowed him, to enter college. At the close of the summer vacation in 1777, less than a year from the time he commenced his preparatory studies, he appeared before the Board of Examiners at Harvard University as a candidate for admission. Caleb Gannett and Benjamin Guild were his examiners: they found him qualified, and he was then admitted to the university. As his parents were desirous that he should qualify

himself for the ministry, he attended Prof. Sewall's lectures on the Hebrew language, and acquired so much knowledge of it as to be appointed to deliver a Hebrew oration at a public exhibition: and, during the interval between the death of Prof. Sewall and the appointment of Mr. Parsons as his successor, he was requested to instruct such students as wished to learn the Hebrew language; which he accordingly did, and was handsomely rewarded for his services. Previous to commencement in 1781, at which time he graduated, he was selected by his classmates to deliver a valedictory address on a fixed day, in compliance with a long-established custom of the university.

After commencement, he went to Beverly, Mass., and taught the town-school there about a year and a half; and boarded at the house of the Hon. Nathan Dane, the founder of the law-school at Harvard. After leaving Beverly, he taught a private school for young ladies, in Salem, until October, 1783; at which time he was elected a tutor in Harvard College, where he continued his labors as such until after the commencement of 1787. He then resigned his place as tutor, and entered upon the study of medicine with Dr. Edward Augustus Holyoke of Salem till October, 1788; when he gave up the idea of following medicine as a profession, and opened an apothecary store in Salem. He built and occupied the mansion-house, on Essex Street, late taken down, — where the Plummer Institute now stands.

In October, 1790, he was married to Miss Elizabeth Jeffry, daughter of William Jeffry, Esq., Clerk of the Court of the County of Essex, and grand-daughter of Joseph Bowditch, Esq. Aug. 24, 1791, he was elected a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. April 4, 1795, he removed on to his farm in Danvers, and erected a permanent structure across Waters's River, which served for a dam and bridge; and built the splendid mansion-house known at the present time as the Capt. Porter Estate. In October, 1800, he was appointed a member of Congress from Essex South District to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Judge Sewall, the late member from that district. Nov. 5, 1800, he was also elected a member, from that district, of the succeeding Congress, for two years from and after the 4th of March, 1801; and was a member during the contest in the House between Thomas Jefferson and Aaron Burr, in which the former became the successful candidate, and suc-

ceeded to the office of President. Feb. 10, 1802, while a resident of Danvers, he was appointed by Gov. Strong a special Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Essex. In 1796, he and his associates built, and put in operation, the Salem Iron Factory for the manufacture of chain-cables, anchors, and other materials of iron for ship-building, for which he acted as the agent of the company: and the next year (1797) he invented, and put in operation in the above factory, and designed for its own special use, for the manufacture of nails and spikes with greater facility and at less cost, a nail machine, which cut and headed nails and spikes at one operation; and for which he afterwards received a patent, — it being the same machine now used for such purposes. He also invented about that time many useful and important agricultural implements, for which he took no patent. In November, 1807, he removed from Salem to Belfast, Hancock County, Me.; and for many years presided as Chief-Justice of the Court of Common Pleas in said county. May 21, 1815, he was elected an honorary member of the Linnæan Society of New England.

After removing to Belfast, he gave most of his time to agricultural pursuits; which he regarded, to use his own language, "as the most natural, healthy, and honorable occupation of man." On his removal there, he purchased a large farm containing some four hundred acres, beautifully situated near the head of Belfast Bay, just south of the present business part of the city, and fronting about half a mile on the bay. His residence overlooked the charming scenery of the bay, studded with its numerous islands, and marked by its picturesque outline, — always presenting a view congenial to his taste and pleasing to his eye. Here he spent the remainder of his long and useful life; ever taking a deep interest in all matters of a public character designed to benefit and improve the country, particularly his own town and people. When the railroad from Quebec to the Atlantic coast, in Maine, was projected, he labored earnestly to make Belfast the place of its terminus; which, had such a purpose been effected, would, ere this, have made it a large commercial city. The cause of religion and education was esteemed by him as the cause that involved his highest duties, and his exertions and support were constantly applied in their behalf. At an early day, when the town was comparatively new, he was instrumental in establishing a high-school there, that the youth of the place might be educated at home;

the beneficial effects of which have for a long time, and will for a long time to come, no doubt, be felt and appreciated.

He died at his residence in Belfast, Jan. 20, 1849, in the ninetieth year of his age. He possessed a strong constitution, as well as a strong and highly cultivated mind. His aim was high, and he soared above the sordid interests of the world. He was temperate, yet persevering; ardent in his emotions, yet possessing a kind heart and the best of qualities. With a fine form, a gentlemanly deportment, and a highly intellectual countenance, his presence was always commanding, and his conversation appropriate and instructive. His mental and physical powers remained with him, with remarkable uniformity and firmness, until within a few days of his death; which was caused by a lung-fever, produced by exposure to extreme cold, which he seldom sought to avoid. He was the last surviving member of his college-class; and, with two exceptions (Judge Farrar and James Lowell), the oldest living graduate of Harvard University.

He was the first who ever made a successful application of steam-power to the purposes of navigation; and the first to invent and construct a locomotive-engine, alias steam-carriage. The arts and sciences were his favorite study, and his inclinations constantly led him to be experimenting therein. As early as 1788, while a resident of Salem, he became especially interested in the purpose of applying steam-power to the practical use of propelling boats and land-carriages. He had the ability to comprehend the results that would follow the attainment of such a purpose; and at that time looked forward to the accomplishment of so important a work, then universally acknowledged as a *desideratum* in the mechanic arts. The idea as to boats was not new; various experiments had been tried, and different modes for propelling them attempted: but by what appliances, and how the thing could be done, remained, as yet, a mystery to the world.

John Fitch, a native of Windsor, Conn., and James Ramsey, a native of Maryland, were the first in America who made the attempt to propel boats by steam. Fitch was the first to commence building his boat; but Ramsey was the first to try his experiment. He had settled in Virginia, at Shepherdstown, Jefferson County, on the south bank of the Potomac; where, it is said, his log dwelling still stands. His first effort was the application of steam-power to a pump; by which he sought to propel his boat by drawing water in at

the bow, and pouring it out at the stern. This proved inadequate for loaded boats, or for river navigation (which was then only thought of) against the current. He then attempted to apply his steam-power to setting-poles, but without success; and he made no further trial. He commenced the building of his boat, near his residence in Shepherdstown, in 1783; and launched it upon the Potomac in 1786, where the above experiments were tried. He afterwards (about 1788) went to England to prosecute his steam projects there; and while about to enter upon a public exposition of his views and plans before a crowded audience at Liverpool, as he rose to commence his lecture, he was struck down with an apoplectic fit, which terminated his life, and left his favorite project unattained.*

Fitch attempted to apply steam-power to oars. He commenced the building of his boat the same year, but earlier than Ramsey; but did not complete it, so as to try his experiment, until 1787. He launched his boat and made his trial upon the Delaware: but his machinery proved insufficient, and ill adapted to the purposes of navigation; and this, being his first, was also his last experiment. He made no other attempt, but had great faith in the ultimate success of steam for propelling boats. He died at Bardstown, in Kentucky, in 1796; and, at his death, made the request, that he should be buried on the banks of the Ohio, "that he might repose where the song of the boatman would enliven the stillness of his resting-place, and the music of the steam-engine soothe his spirit."

Mr. Read, in the mean time, having noticed the failure of these experiments of Ramsey and Fitch, and believing that they were occasioned by the ill-constructed machinery which they had tried, set himself to work to accomplish the end which they had sought and abandoned, by the invention and use of machinery of a different and more perfect character, such as would be better adapted to the object in view. He believed that their boilers for generating steam were poorly contrived, and that a substitute might be got up of far greater efficiency; that their long, awkward oars, and still more awkward pumps and setting-poles, condemned themselves, as unsuited to the purpose for which they were designed; and that some better mode might be adopted. Accordingly, in 1789, *eighteen years before Fulton appeared with his experiments upon the Hudson,*

* Howe's Historical Collections of Virginia, p. 336.

he had succeeded in inventing and constructing a boiler, differing essentially from those used by Fitch and Rumsey; and which, from its characteristic principles, he denominated a "portable furnace boiler." It occupied but little space, was light and strong, and so constructed as to require no other furnace than what itself constituted; and was designed both for steamboats and steam-carriages. In the mean time, he had constructed a model of a steam-carriage, with one of his newly invented boilers, and other new and suitable machinery attached, to give it locomotion; and, meanwhile, he had also constructed a steamboat, with his boiler and one of Watt's double-acting rotary engines attached. The boat was of sufficient size to carry a man, with the necessary apparatus for propelling it through the water. To the axis, which extended across the gunwale of the boat, were fixed two paddle-wheels, constructed precisely on the same principles they now are for steamboats, and such as are, at this day, almost universally adopted and used for steam-navigation throughout the world. With this boat, by means of a crank, and without a fly-wheel, he was safely propelled (immediately after its completion) with great rapidity, by the force of its little engine alone, across an arm of the sea which separates Danvers from Beverly. The Rev. Dr. Prince of Salem and several other gentlemen were present, and saw the experiment.

This was the first steamboat, and the first voyage ever taken in a steamer, constructed upon the same plan and principles of our present boats. The experiment was triumphant; the work, to human reason, was accomplished and proved; the long-sought *desideratum* had been reached. The emotions of the inventor, as he sat upon the deck of his little steamer and watched the seemingly intelligent workings of its engine and revolving wheels, but more especially as they faithfully shot him along the surface of the deep waters of the bay and safely landed him upon the shore beyond, can be better felt than described. Seeing as he saw, and feeling as he felt, when the evident success of his experiments, with the great results they told, flashed upon his mind, and were thus suddenly and successfully demonstrated, he could well realize the sensations of Franklin when he applied his knuckle to the key, and drew forth the electric spark. Surely he felt that he had not labored in vain.

By this experiment, he knew that he had reduced the power of steam to the easy control of man and to practical purposes, that

promised untold results upon the industrial, commercial, and social interests of mankind; and, although the success of his improvements to him appeared certain, he was not aware that he had yet to encounter the blighting influence of an incredulous and selfish world, nor that he had yet to meet the derision of the ignorant (for whose common benefit he had so ardently labored) "as a weak and silly projector." Indeed, he was not aware that truth demonstrated could be crushed, nevertheless, under the weight of popular ignorance and prejudice. Accordingly, with high hopes, and bright prospects in anticipation, he applied, Feb. 8, 1790, to the Congress of the United States, then in session in the city of New York, for a patent of his inventions and improvements. He spent most of the winter of 1790 in New York, and exhibited drawings and descriptions of his boat, and also of his steam-carriage, to President Washington (to whom he had letters of introduction from Gen. Benjamin Lincoln), and also to the members of Congress and other gentlemen there, — among whom were many distinguished mechanics, — and explained to them the principles of his machinery, and especially of the operation of his paddle-wheels for boats, and of his boilers both for boats and land-carriages. While in New York, he boarded at Mrs. Wheaton's, in company with Dr. Cutler and Gen. Rufus Putnam, who were attending upon Congress, on business as agents of the Ohio Land Company. They introduced Gen. Stevens to him: and he then explained to Stevens the principles on which his boat was constructed, — combining the tubular boiler, which he had invented, with paddle-wheels and the double-acting rotary engine of Watt, — and made to him a full exhibition of his drawings and descriptions thereof; who critically examined the same.

The Congress of 1789 and '90, being the first after the adoption of the Constitution of the United States, was, as yet, but imperfectly organized. It was, moreover, overwhelmed with business of the most exciting and important character, and had but little time or thought to bestow on applications of a private nature. In the mean time, no patent-laws or regulations had ever been established or patent granted by the government. He presented his petition for a patent to the Board of Commissioners, and first asked for a patent for a steamboat with paddle-wheels, and for his portable furnace boiler for boats and land-carriages. But, unfortunately for the petitioner, in looking over some of the first volumes of the Trans-

actions of the Royal Society, published upwards of sixty years before, he immediately noticed that some experiments had been made in Europe, which before that time had never come to his knowledge, with a view to ascertain the comparative utility of wheels and oars; and, erroneously supposing that he should not be entitled to a patent for a boat with paddle-wheels, he withdrew so much of his patent as related to said wheels, and substituted therefor a rowing machine, which he had invented and constructed upon the principle of the chain-pump, and which he believed would insure the next best purpose to paddle-wheels. This change he reluctantly made; and had he been sensible, at the time, of the crude and imperfect character of those experiments, and of the great dissimilarity in the machinery and combinations used, he most surely would have made no alteration, but have taken his patent as he at first petitioned. But, under the circumstances and impressions above named, he took a patent on his amended petition; for his rowing-machine for propelling boats, in lieu of paddle-wheels; and for his portable furnace boiler, designed for boats and land-carriages. The boiler contained no other furnace than what itself constituted; and was constructed internally with tubes, on the same principle, and nearly of the same form, with those now in use for locomotive-engines. He was, nevertheless, entitled to a patent on his petition as at first presented. His combinations and much of his machinery were new and original; his experiments had demonstrated their concordant action and success; and nothing had before transpired in the history of steam-power to produce such results, and to have interfered with his original application and purpose. This may be clearly seen by comparing his boat and experiments with those of an earlier date.

The Marquis of Worcester, the first noticeable experimenter in steam-power, had expressed his belief that it might be used for propelling vessels, but had never tried the experiment: this was about 1655. Next Savary, an Englishman, who is supposed to be the first that applied steam-power to any practical purpose (that of raising water from the mines of Cornwall), proposed to pump water with his engine, and turn a large wheel in the middle of a vessel, with paddle-wheels acting on the outside; but it does not appear that he ever tried it. Soon after (about 1680), Prince Rupert is said to have made an attempt to navigate a boat by steam on the Thames, and that he tried wheels without success; but little is known of his

experiment, which was near a century before Watt's invention of a continuous rotary motion, which alone could make wheels practicable for such a purpose. Bornouville, in 1753, — seventy-three years after Prince Rupert's experiment, — gained a prize, offered by the French Academy of Sciences, for writing an essay; wherein he satisfactorily demonstrated the principle, that the attainment of a rotary motion by the steam-engine could alone render wheels practicable for propelling boats. This was thirty years or more before Watt, the great improver of the steam-engine, succeeded in obtaining this motion, and of satisfactorily perfecting his machinery therefor; which was not until 1784. The inference may be drawn as quite certain, that all attempts to propel boats by paddle-wheels must have proved ineffectual, and without the means of success, before Watt completed his invention. Indeed, we see, that after the essay of Bornouville, and before such invention, the idea of using wheels was, for the most part, abandoned. We find several attempts in France and this country, in the mean time, to propel boats by other means; the most prominent of which seemed to be a paddle in the form of a duck's foot, opening in its backward and closing in its forward motion through the water. This, Monsieur Genevois felt quite sure would work; but all of these experiments proved a failure. The co-incidence is worthy of note, that the Marquis de Jouffroy upon the Soane, and John Fitch upon the Delaware, in 1783, — the year before Watt came out with his perfected double-acting rotary engine, — were simultaneously engaged in trying to apply steam-power to oars.

Miller, of Dalswinton in Scotland, about this time, succeeded better. He first tried a triple boat (three boats side by side), and used wheels turned by men working at a crank; but, finding this too slow and laborious a matter, he employed one Symington to put a steam-engine into a larger vessel, built double. The wheels and machinery kept constantly breaking; the boat was in danger of sinking; the apparatus was taken out, and laid up; and there ended the experiment. Miller found fault with his engineer, and pronounced the whole a failure; but it is said that they succeeded in driving the boat along the Forth of Clyde Canal at the rate of seven miles an hour. Miller, Jouffroy, Fitch, and Ramsey were the last to carry out a long series of vague and abortive experiments; all of which experiments, up to theirs, inclusive, whether of wheels,

oars or poles, duck's-feet or pumps, had proved unsuccessful, and been abandoned.

It was now that the subject of this notice, from the strength of his own genius alone, and without any definite knowledge of these isolated and vague experiments in Europe, combined the boiler he had constructed and the double-acting rotary engine of Watt with paddle-wheels, — being the first time that such a combination was ever effected. It is proper here to remark, that Watt himself never attempted to apply steam-power to the purposes of navigation. The above combination brought together in harmony with each other the necessary and essential parts of a steamboat, practical, complete, and perfect in its machinery and arrangement ready to do the great work of steam-navigation successfully, and just such a boat as we can now see by the thousand engaged in the internal and ocean navigation of the world. Such were the parts combined (prerequisites for all steam-navigation), if in miniature, yet in proper form and adaptation of the little boat which he constructed at Salem, and launched at Danvers; the drawings and representations of which he had exhibited in the city of New York, to Gen. Stevens and others, in 1790; and which, in truth, was the model and prototype that disclosed to the world a new and sublime agency for its use and progress, and which, in the mean time, introduced a new era in the history of navigation, commerce, and trade.

In 1791, — the very next year, it will be noticed, after the above exhibition in the city of New York, — Gen. Stevens, who was a man of enterprise and great wealth, commenced his projects in steam-navigation. Mr. Renwick, in his treatise on the steam-engine (p. 283), says that "Stevens invented the first tubular boiler during his experiments,* and that his first attempts were made with a rotary engine; for which, however, he speedily substituted one of Watt's." And on p. 284 he says, "Their apparatus was a system of paddles resembling a horizontal chain-pump (the rowing machine patented as above), and set in motion by an engine of Watt's construction." Now, it would be pleasant to know how far the above tubular boiler, Watt's rotary engine, and system of paddles resembling a horizontal chain-pump, differed in their construction

* Mr. Renwick, in his preface to his treatise, expresses his obligation to Mr. R. L. Stevens for the facts in relation to steamboats, &c. (R. L. is the son of Gen. Stevens).

from the plans and drawings of the very same things which the subject of this notice had exhibited and explained to Mr. Stevens the year before he began his experiments. The patent having been taken out for a boat with the rowing-machine attached in lieu of paddle-wheels, it would be quite natural for Mr. Stevens to suppose that it was deemed by the patentee as the preferable mode of propelling boats, and that he had best construct a boat with an apparatus approximating thereto; but it will be seen that he and his associate, Chancellor Livingston, afterwards adopted the paddle-wheels as the preferable mode.

Chancellor Livingston, in 1797, commenced his steam projects upon the Hudson, and obtained an Act of the Legislature of New York for the exclusive navigation of that river. He and Stevens and Nicholas Rosevelt afterwards entered into copartnership, and united their efforts and means in prosecuting their steamboat experiments, — all of them, says Renwick, having the utmost confidence of success; adding, "We now know that such a plan (the system of paddles, and chain-pump apparatus), if inferior to paddle-wheels, might answer the purpose." But, in 1801, Livingston was sent minister to France, and his copartnership with Stevens and Rosevelt terminated.

It was at Paris that Livingston first became acquainted with Robert Fulton, who had been engaged without success, from 1796, under the patronage of the French Government, in the construction of submarine boats as instruments of destruction in war. In 1803, Fulton is found employed under the patronage and direction of Livingston, — this being his (Fulton's) first attempt to construct a steamboat for navigation; and that same year he launched a small boat upon the Seine, with paddle-wheels attached, a tubular boiler, and the rotary engine of Watt. He succeeded in propelling his boat at the rate of four miles an hour; and came to the conclusion, says Renwick (p. 286), "that, of all methods hitherto proposed, the paddle-wheel possessed the greatest advantages." Indeed, Fulton went through with a series of experiments, under the direction of Livingston, before he built the above boat, to determine the comparative advantages of paddle-wheels and the chain of paddles (*alias* rowing-machines); and thereupon concluded to apply the paddle-wheels as the preferable mode.

The above trial upon the Seine showing that, with such a combina-

tion (viz., of tubular boilers, the double-acting rotary engine of Watt, and paddle-wheels), success was certain, Livingston and Fulton at once entered into an arrangement to construct a boat of large size upon the Hudson; and Livingston furnished Fulton with funds to carry out the enterprise. Fulton then went to the workshop of Watt (which had then become Watt and Bolton), in England, and there ordered his engine. In 1806, the engine reached the city of New York; and, in 1807, the celebrated "Clermont," dressed out with said double-acting rotary engine of Watt, tubular boilers, and paddle-wheels, with Fulton on board, skimmed her way along the Hudson, with triumphant success, to the city of Albany, with just such success, and substantially just such machinery, as had been applied to the little steamer, which, eighteen years before, had so gallantly borne its projector and builder across an estuary of the sea, — drawings of which, in 1790, had been exhibited and explained to Stevens, the after-partner of Livingston; who became the patron and director of Fulton, in his first experiment upon the Seine, in 1803.

And here the subject must be left for every candid person to determine for himself, whether Fulton or the subject of this notice was the first inventor and constructor of a steamboat having such a combination of machinery as is now in general use; and whether Stevens or he was the inventor of the tubular boiler which Fulton used, and which is still adopted. One need only refer to his patent, obtained sixty-seven years ago, to determine the above fact, and to show, in addition, that he was the first inventor and constructor of a steam-carriage, the principles of which are substantially and practically carried out by our present locomotives. It is claimed that "Evans was the first who entertained rational hopes of being able to move carriages by steam" (see Renwick, p. 297). The author must have been ignorant of the above patent, of the model of the steam-carriage constructed at Salem as preliminary thereto, and of the fact that the patent was obtained eleven years before Evans had made his first experiment at Philadelphia (which was not until 1801), or he would not have made the above assertion.

Prior to 1789, when the little steamer took her passage across the estuary at Danvers, steam-power had never been applied to any practical use, except for raising water and emptying sinks and mines. All attempts to apply it to the purposes of navigation had

failed; and it does not appear that any attempt was made before that time, or the idea entertained, to apply it to land-carriages, *alias* locomotives. The subject was then new, and but little understood by the mass of mankind, to whom it appeared mysterious and visionary. This may be readily seen from the fact, that the members of Congress even were so ignorant and sceptical on the subject, that when the petition for the above-mentioned patent was read by the Clerk of the House of Representatives, as he came to that part of it which related to the application of steam to land-carriages, a general smile was excited among the members. The petitioner, who was present, was a man of such sensibility, that he could not endure an indication so trying to his own better knowledge and feelings. He felt the sting for many years, and felt it none the less that those who inflicted it were not conscious of the injury. They intended no harm or indignity; and surely they were not aware that they had trifled with human genius, and extinguished the energies of a man who had opened the way to national honor and wealth, and to the introduction of the greatest of modern improvements. But so it really was. The effect was paralyzing to him. He shrunk from the further prosecution of his plans until a more favorable public sentiment and opportunity should present. At a later and more favorable period, as has been seen, others, possessing the means, and consequently the power, took the benefit of his improvements, and won the fame that of right belonged to him.

He was too early in his steam projects. The world was incredulous, the country was poor, and business unsettled. Even the blood of the Revolution had scarcely ceased to smoke from the ground, and the vast expenditure of treasure in the contest still weighed heavily upon the people. The country, moreqver, was distracted with a yet unstable government, and by numerous conflicting interests; and there was but a partial opportunity, and indeed but little occasion, for costly experiments and great practical results in the mechanic arts. These things, as well as the want of faith and courage in others, were in the way of his progress; and he did not, meanwhile, possess the ample fortune of a Stevens or a Livingston to carry out his inventions and plans. Hence he derived neither honor nor profit from the time and money he expended in his experiments: but he lived to see his inventions and improvements

applied to practical use by other hands, and to feel the gratification, that the machinery which he for the first time used as the most eligible for propelling boats (and which he put together and proved while Fulton was employed as a journeyman painter in the studio of West, in London), has, since that time, been successfully adopted and used in every quarter of the globe; and still more gratified in seeing locomotive-engines, capable of moving at a speed of a mile in a minute, put in motion by steam generated in a boiler, and applied by other apparatus thereto attached, constructed essentially on the same principles with the steam-carriage he had invented more than fifty years before, and for which, in connection with his boat, he obtained a patent the first day that a patent was ever issued by the authority of the United States; but more gratified than in all else, that he lived to triumph over that smile of derision which the members of Congress exhibited at the idea of a locomotive-engine.

It is proper to add, that he lived and died an exemplary professor of the Harvard School, believing in a higher and more perfect state of existence hereafter, "and looking forward with an eye of faith to an exaltation which he believed was in store for him beyond this world."

Children of Nathan Read, — Elizabeth Holyoke, born July 7, 1791, died 1793; Elizabeth Holyoke, born July 27, 1793; Nancy, July 23, 1795, married Philip Morrill; Mary, born March 14, 1798, married Charles H. Tilden, and lives in Castine; William Jeffrey, born Oct. 19, 1800; George, March 24, 1803; Edward, July 21, 1806; Charles, Oct. 10, 1809; Charlotte Verstille, Dec. 6, 1811. He died at Belfast, Jan. 20, 1849, in his ninetieth year: his wife died March 21, 1855, aged eighty-three years. William died May 28, 1829, aged twenty-eight years; Charlotte, Jan. 30, 1834, aged twenty-two; Edward, Aug. 13, 1845, aged thirty-nine.

Charles, son of Hon. Nathan Reed of Belfast, born Oct. 10, 1809; married Rosina Blanchard, Nov. 26, 1837. Children, — William, Jefferson, Joseph Bowditch, Charles Julius, Mary Jane, George Tilden, Helen Letitia, Han-

nah Elizabeth, Rosetta Ella, Narcissa. He lives on the old homestead in Belfast, and his sister Elizabeth lives on the same. Nancy lives at Glensbury.

6. Thomas, son of Thomas, and twin-brother of Isaac of Sudbury, born Feb. 23, 1704; married Sarah, and was the third man who settled in Rutland, in 1725. Children, — Jason, born in 1732; Thomas, Sept. 10, 1733; Mary, May 11, 1736; Jonathan, Nov. 2, 1738; Micah, May 3, 1742.

7. Jonathan, son of Thomas and Sarah of Rutland, born Nov. 2, 1738; married Hannah. Children, — Molly, born July 4, 1767; John, April 13, 1770; and three older sons, names unknown.

8. John, son of Jonathan and Hannah, born April 13, 1770; married Hannah Dwilla, Nov. 17, 1791. Children, — John, born May 20, 1793; Lemuel, Dec. 16, 1794; Harriet, July 3, 1800; Hannah, Sept. 29, 1802. He settled in Holden, formerly part of Rutland, and in that part of the town that is now included in West Boylston, where his descendants still reside.

9. John, son of John of West Boylston, born May 20, 1793. Children, — John G., born in 1821; George, 1823.

10. John G., son of John of West Boylston, born in 1821. Child, — Amelia, born in 1846.

10. George, son of John of West Boylston, born in 1823. Child, — George C., born in 1856.

6. Isaac, son of Thomas, born Feb. 23, 1704; married Experience Willis, Feb. 11, 1729. Children, — Nathan; Isaac, born Jan. 15, 1731; Samuel, Feb. 19, 1739; Mary, March 19, 1741, married John Goodrew, March 19, 1761; Ruth, born Aug. 31, 1743, married Daniel Noyes, Nov. 1, 1764.

7. Isaac, son of Isaac and Experience, born Jan. 15, 1731; married Lydia Goodrew, Jan. 16, 1765. Child, — Nathan, born Feb. 5, 1756.

8. Nathan, son of Isaac and Lydia, born Feb. 5, 1756; married Abigail Plimpton, Oct. 12, 1778. Children, — Nabby, born July 11, 1779; Ruth, June 16, 1781; Hannah, April 21, 1784.

7. Nathan, son of Isaac and Experience, married Susanna, and settled in Marlborough. Children, — Susanna, who married Simon Gates; Mary, who married Seth Adams; David, born in Marlborough, Aug. 17, 1753; Patty, Sept. 29, 1755; Phebe, Feb. 17, 1759, married Timothy Whiting, Jan. 29, 1777; Persis, born Jan. 25, 1768.

8. David, son of Nathan and Susanna, born at Marlborough, Aug. 17, 1753; married Naomi. Child, — Abraham, born at Marlborough, May 9, 1787.

7. Micah, son of Thomas and Sarah, born at Rutland, May 3, 1742; married Elizabeth Rugg in 1768, and settled in Westmoreland, N.H. Children, — Alpheus, born Aug. 5, 1768; Hannah, Mary, Gunutus, Lovina, Asahel, Jonathan, Betsy.

8. Alpheus, son of Micah and Elizabeth, born Aug. 5, 1768; married Sally White, Dec. 8, 1793. Children, — Alpheus, born Aug. 6, 1794; Betsy, July 25, 1796; Joseph W., March, 1798, died young; Sally, born May 16, 1799; Maria, June 18, 1801; Kesia Britton, April 6, 1805; Rhoda, July 5, 1807, died; Harriet, born Sept. 12, 1809. He died Nov. 21, 1810: his wife died Aug. 18, 1853.

8. Hannah, daughter of Micah, married Joseph Farr, Nov. 14, 1796. Children, — Lucy, born Sept. 2, 1797; Daniel, Aug. 19, 1799; Joseph, July 13, 1803; Micah R., March 17, 1806; Ivah, Aug. 3, 1805; Elisha, Sept. 23, 1807; Elijah P., Oct. 10, 1809; Nancy, Oct. 1, 1812; Emily, June 14, 1815; a daughter, Feb. 27, 1817; Elijah, July 1, 1819.

9. Daniel Farr, son of Joseph Farr and Hannah Read, born Aug. 19, 1799; married Clarissa Esty, Sept. 6, 1819.

9. Ivah Farr, son of Joseph Farr and Hannah Read, born Aug. 3, 1805; married Miss Danforth, Feb. 28, 1827.

9. Micah R., son of Joseph Farr and Hannah Read, born March 17, 1806; married Miss Stearns, April 2, 1829.

9. Emily, daughter of Joseph Farr and Hannah Read, born June 14, 1815; married Joseph Evans, April 24, 1839.

9. Nancy, daughter of Joseph Farr and Hannah Read, born Oct. 1, 1812; married Warren Webb, Nov. 20, 1839.

9. Betsy, daughter of Alpheus, born July 25, 1796; married Nathaniel Daggot, Sept. 15, 1819.

9. Alpheus, son of Alpheus and Sally, born Aug. 6, 1794; married Rebecca Kempson in Cincinnati, O. He died August, 1834.

9. Maria, daughter of Alpheus and Sally, born June 18, 1801; married John M'Clure, in New Jersey, in 1821. She died March 10, 1854.

9. Kesia B., daughter of Alpheus and Sally, born April 6, 1805; married Francis Pluff in 1821.

9. Harriet, daughter of Alpheus and Sally, born Sept. 12, 1809; married Deane E. Knight, Sept. 18, 1829, in Lowell. Child, — Hattie A., born at Johnson, Vt., Dec. 6, 1840. He died at St. Anthony's Falls, Min., June 18, 1856. She married Dr. A. Morse of Waterbury, Vt., Feb. 10, 1857.

7. Sally Rugg Read, daughter of Alpheus and Sally, born May 16, 1799; married Nathaniel Gates, Sept. 28, 1839.

6. Daniel, son of Thomas and Abigail, born in Sudbury, May 19, 1714; married Rebecca Mead, April 13, 1737. Children, — John, born Aug. 13, 1737; Daniel, Feb. 24, 1739; Rebecca, Feb. 2, 1742, married Daniel Winch, jun.; Anna, born in Rutland, April 3, 1747.

6. Joseph, son of Thomas and Abigail, born at Sudbury, Dec. 4, 1722; married Sarah Goodrew, Jan. 16, 1749.

Children, — Lydia, born Oct. 9, 1751, died; Lydia, born Aug. 20, 1760; Sarah, Dec. 3, 1763, married Ezekiel Howe, Oct. 15, 1780.

4. Benjamin, son of Thomas of Sudbury, married Mary. On the third day of April, 1793, he conveyed by deed to his brother Matthew two hundred acres of land in Natick, near the line of Sudbury. Edmond Read had formerly owned a part of it.

Nathan, son of Isaac and Lydia of Framingham, married Hannah Brooks, June 14, 1783. Children, — Joseph; Jabez. His widow died Oct. 10, 1842.

Joseph, son of Nathan and Hannah, married Mary B. for first wife, who died Sept. 8, 1822; for second wife, Tamer. Children, — Nathan, born June 17, 1827; Joseph P., March 12, 1829; Minerva, Oct. 29, 1831. Known as Major or Esquire Reed, and is one of the present justices of the peace for the county of Worcester. His second wife died April 20, 1846.

Jabez, son of Nathan and Hannah, born 1797; married Lavina B. Rice, May 5, 1831. Children, — Mary Letitia, born March 20, 1832; Henry J., July 3, 1834; Julia Ann, Aug. 11, 1837; Silas Harison, Dec. 20, 1839; Harriet Lavina, Nov. 30, 1842; Jabez Eugene, Oct. 5, 1848. He died March 14, 1845. His son Jabez died March 14, 1845; Mary Letitia, Jan. 12, 1852.

Daniel, son of Thomas and Hannah of Rutland, born May 9, 1774; married Rebecca Ames. Children, — Joseph; Davis; Alexander H., born at Wardsborough, Vt.; Elijah, who lives in Hillsborough, N.H. He moved to Wardsborough, and resided there some forty or fifty years; and died Aug. 31, 1845.

Davis, son of Daniel of Wardsborough, had three sons, whose names are not given.

Alexander H., son of Daniel of Wardsborough, born

June 16, 1804; married Serena Gray, July 6, 1835. Children, — Cordelia S., born in Boston, April 6, 1836; Alexander D., Jan. 11, 1838; Andrew J., born in Cambridge, Oct. 4, 1845; Henry H., Oct. 11, 1847; Franklin, Oct. 10, 1849, died in 1850. He lives in Cambridge, and keeps a shoe and leather store in Boston.

Thomas, son of Thomas and Hannah, born at Rutland, Feb. 14, 1772; married Lucinda Wheeler. Children, — Abigail, born at Rutland, Feb. 20, 1794; Lucinda, Aug. 26, 1800; Abigail Wheeler, Feb. 16, 1804; Thomas Lyman, April 2, 1805; Mary Jemima, Jan. 2, 1810; Lorenzo and Lorena, Sept. 20, 1810.

Joel, son of Thomas and Hannah, born at Rutland, Dec. 5, 1760; married Abigail Newton. Child, — Joel.

Joel, son of Joel and Abigail, married Anna Maxwell in 1804, and settled in Princeton. Children, — Anna M., born June 4, 1805; Charlotte, Sept. 24, 1807; Joseph M., April 3, 1810.

CHAPTER VIII.

WILLIAM READE OF WEYMOUTH, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

1. WILLIAM READE, supposed to be the son of William Reade and Lucy Henage, was born in 1605, and sailed from Gravesend, in the county of Kent, in the "Assurance de Lo" (Isaac Broomwell and George Persey, masters), in 1635. He settled in Weymouth, Mass; and was made freeman, Sept. 2, 1635. He bought a house and land of Zachary Bicknall, for seven pounds thirteen shillings and fourpence, in 1636; which was an average price for homesteads at that early day. Only one year before the date of William Reade's purchase, all the land in Boston Proper, with the exception of six acres in and about Charles and Beacon Streets, was sold by William Blackstone for thirty pounds. Previous to 1650, a dwelling-house in Boston, and lot of land, would not command a greater price than a good cow; while, in 1857, the average of the valuation of dwelling-houses was $5,500. Mr. Reade was among the early settlers of Weymouth, — it having been made a plantation, May 8, 1635; and Rev. Mr. Hall and twenty-one families settled there. He was representative from Weymouth in 1636 and '38. The Christian name of his wife, it is supposed, was Ivis. Their children were — William, born Oct. 15, 1639; Esther, May 8, 1641; Thomas; John, 1649; Mary, who married Thomas Dyer; Margaret, who married John Vining, May 11, 1757, and died May 6, 1659.

2. William, son of William and Ivis, was born at Weymouth, Oct. 16, 1639. He married Esther Thompson of Middleborough in 1675. It may be interesting to some of their descendants to know her parentage and history. It appears, by a genealogy published by Ignatius Thompson in 1841, that John Thompson, father of Esther, was six years old when he landed in Wesson's company; and, when he came of proper age, married Mary Cook, daughter of Francis Cook, who was one of the "May Flower's" company. He settled, and built a log house, thirteen miles west of Plymouth, on the confines of what was then called Plymouth, now Halifax and Middleborough. He lived there till his house was burned by the Indians. While living there, either he or his wife would walk to meeting every Sunday. The only place where they had an elder to speak to them was Plymouth, — a distance of more than thirteen miles. We have, says Thompson, orally received information, that, during one year of his residence there, his wife, on two of the sabbaths in June, after breakfast, took a child six months old in her arms, and walked to Plymouth, attended meeting, and returned home the same day. We have in this a picture of real life as it existed in those times, as well as a striking illustration of the indomitable energy and perseverance of the Puritan ancestors. The descendants of William and Esther may thus distinctly trace their ancestors through her to the Pilgrim company of the "May Flower," who landed on Plymouth Rock. The children of William and Esther were — William; John, born July 10, 1687; Jacob, Nov. 6, 1691; Bushnor, who married a Mr. Porter; Porter; Mercy, who married a Mr. Whitmarsh; Mary; Hester and Sarah, born March 21, 1694. This William was constable in Weymouth in 1675; which was, in those times, the principal officer of the town. He was selectman in 1680, an extensive dealer in land, and a representative to the General Court. His will

was proved Sept. 12, 1706, and may be found in the Probate Office in Boston (lib. 16, fol. 73).

2. Thomas, son of William, 1st, of Weymouth, married Sarah. Children, — Thomas, born Sept. 12, 1671; William, Feb. 4, 1687; John, Dec. 30, 1679; Mary L.; Ruth White, Feb. 20, 1684; Hannah Hart, Sept. 25, 1689; Sarah S.; Samuel, April 12, 1681. He married Mary for second wife: she died Aug. 21, 1719. He held offices, civil and military, in his day. He died Nov. 14, 1719.

3. John, son of Thomas and Sarah, born Dec. 30, 1679; married Sarah. Children, — John; Sarah. His will is dated 1757; and he alludes in it to his estate in Abington, which he inherited of his deceased brother Samuel, who died June 25, 1750. He also speaks of his daughter Sarah.

2. John, son of William, 1st, of Weymouth, born in 1649; married Sarah. Children, — Thomas; William. He served in Capt. Johnson's company in the Indian War of 1695.

3. John, son of William and Esther, born in Weymouth, July 10, 1687, and moved to Abington in 1708; married Sarah. Child, — John, born Aug. 10, 1713. Married, for second wife, Mary. Children, — James, born Oct. 12, 1716; Joseph, Feb. 13, 1717; Mary, Dec. 21, 1719, who married John Dyer, April 17, 1739; Ezekiel, born Nov. 14, 1721; Peter, March 29, 1723; Squire, 1726; Samuel, 1732; Benjamin, 1730.

4. John, son of John and Sarah of Abington, born Aug. 10, 1713, at Abington; married Mary Torrey, June 20, 1734. Children, — Mary, born April 7, 1735; Hannah, May 16, 1738; Samuel, Nov. 10, 1740; Sarah, June 14, 1744; Frederick, July 28, 1746; William and John (twins), May 9, 1748.

5. Samuel, son of John and Mary Torrey of Abington, born Nov. 10, 1740; married Mary Torrey, Nov. 29, 1764. Children, — Samuel, born Sept. 16, 1765; John, Nov. 9,

1767; Hannah, Oct. 4, 1769; Thomas, Dec. 10, 1771; Mary, July 17, 1774; Philip, July 31, 1777; Sarah, April 20, 1780; William, Aug. 12, 1783. He was a school-teacher, selectman, &c.

6. Thomas, son of Samuel and Mary, born Dec. 10, 1771; married Sarah. Children, — Sally, born in 1793; Hannah, Feb. 18, 1795; Mary, Feb. 13, 1797; Margaret, Dec. 16, 1798, married a Harrington, and lives at Quincy; Mehetabel, who died young; Loring W., born Oct. 3, 1803; Thomas; Susan; Rachel, who married B. Newcomb.

7. Thomas, son of Thomas and Sarah, married a Howard. Children, — Charles; Herber A. Lives in Quincy.

5. Frederick, son of John and Mary of Abington, born July 28, 1746; married Rebecca Ayers, Sept. 20, 1770. Children, — David, born Sept. 30, 1771; Frederick, April 19, 1774; Asa, May 27, 1777; Hannah, April 2, 1782. Married, for second wife, Hannah. Children, — Lydia, born June 13, 1788; Isaac, June 23, 1795. He lived in Boston at the date of his first marriage, and at one time lived in Abington, and also in Weymouth.

6. Isaac, son of Frederick and Hannah, born June 23, 1795; married Cynthia Pratt, May 24, 1819. Children, — Eliza, born Dec. 22, 1819; Cynthia, Dec. 25, 1821; Mary Ann, Sept. 25, 1825; Asa T., Jan. 1, 1826; Isaac, Feb. 13, 1828, died; Isaac, born Nov. 4, 1831; Stephen S., May 2, 1838.

4. Joseph, son of John and Mary, and grandson of William and Esther, born Feb. 13, 1717; married Mary. Child, — Mary, born in 1747. He settled first in Abington, but moved to Bridgewater.

7. Isaac, son of Isaac and Cynthia, born Nov. 4, 1831; married Elizabeth E. Child, — Estella, born Feb. 25, 1855.

6. Frederick, son of Frederick, born April 17, 1714; set-

tled in New Bedford. He had previously lived in Randolph. Married Sally Packard in 1797.

6. David, son of Frederick and Rebecca, born Sept. 30, 1771; married Susan Spear. Children, — David A., born Dec. 6, 1795; Susan, Aug. 15, 1797; Thomas S., June 9, 1800. He died May 12, 1822: his wife died Aug. 26, 1801.

7. David A., son of David and Susan, born Dec. 6, 1795; married Nancy Loud, Aug. 6, 1818. Children, — Daniel Franklin, born May 10, 1834; Mary Ann, Oct. 16, 1820; D. Augustus, Jan. 12, 1831; Susan S., Nov. 9, 1818; George W., March 22, 1838; Nancy Maria, April 22, 1842, died Jan. 1, 1849. He lived several years in Lynn, but now resides in Weymouth.

7. Thomas S., son of David, born in Boston, June 9, 1800; married Cynthia Shaw, Nov. 5, 1823. Children, — George, born April 19, 1824; Josiah, April 18, 1826; Ellen, born at Weymouth, Nov. 25, 1828, died young; Adeline, born Oct. 3, 1830; Jane Ellen, Sept. 26, 1841.

8. Adeline, daughter of Thomas S. and Cynthia, born Oct. 3, 1830; married Oliver Loud. Child, — Wilbur, born Sept. 4, 1851.

8. Josiah, son of Thomas S. and Cynthia, born April 18, 1826; married Sarah Fogg, Sept. 3, 1845. Children, — Amelia C., born March 15, 1846; Sarah L., Jan. 13, 1848; Josiah B., June 7, 1852; Freeman S., July 22, 1856. Lives at South Weymouth. Is known as Deacon Reed.

8. David A., son of David A. and Nancy, born Jan. 12, 1841; married Betsy D. Heath, Nov. 3, 1850, and lives at Abington. Child, — Herbert A., born June 28, 1851.

8. George, son of Thomas and Cynthia, married Maria Vinal. Children, — Adeline M., born May 5, 1850; George E., 1846; Thomas H., Oct. 5, 1847; George E., Aug. 2, 1852; Josiah A., Feb. 16, 1855; Nathaniel B., July 21, 1857.

8. Susan, daughter of David A. and Nancy, married John Osburne, April 14, 1839. Children, — Susan Maria, John E., Mary Ann, Caroline Elizabeth, Ellen, Nancy Frances, Charles, George. Lives at Nashua, N.H.

8. Mary, daughter of David A. and Nancy, born Oct. 16, 1820 ; married Samuel O. Breed of Lynn. Children, — Mary A., Priscilla A., Susan Ellen.

8. D. Augustus, son of David A. and Nancy, born Jan. 12, 1831 ; married Betsy D. Keith. Child, — Herbert Augustus.

8. Franklin, son of David A. and Nancy, born May 10, 1834 ; married Joanna Cushing. Child, — Frank Edwin.

6. Samuel, son of Samuel and Mary, born Sept. 16, 1765, and settled in Hull ; married Polly Greenleaf, daughter of John and Mary Gould Greenleaf, Nov. 17, 1793. Children, — Mary, born Feb. 21, 1797, who now lives in Hull ; Samuel, born in March, 1802 ; Elizabeth Greenleaf, March 17, 1809, who lives, with her sister, on the old homestead ; John ; Thomas ; Sally, married a Holstrum of Quincy ; William ; Philip. He died in Hull, Feb. 28, 1853, aged eighty-seven : his wife died in 1856.

7. Samuel, son of Samuel and Polly, born March, 1802 ; married Caroline Nash, and lives at Weymouth. Children, — Charles A., born June 16, 1836, graduated at Amherst in 1856, and is now the Principal of Hanson Academy ; Caroline A., born March 29, 1838 ; George W., Jan. 8, 1840, at Amherst College ; Samuel W., March 25, 1846, died Sept. 11, 1848 ; Samuel W., born Dec. 31, 1849.

6. John, son of Samuel and Mary, born May 9, 1767 ; married Elizabeth, daughter of Elisha and Martha (Loring) Gould of Hull, Nov. 29, 1792. Children, — Betsy, born in Hull, Nov. 30, 1793, married James Marble of Hingham in 1812 ; John, born March 3, 1797 ; Elizabeth, Oct. 9, 1802, died unmarried ; Patty Gould (twin with Elizabeth),

married Nathaniel Fearing Lane of Hingham, Dec. 21, 1824. His wife died March 24, 1815, aged forty-four. Married, for second wife, Martha (Gould) Swain, widow of William Swain, and sister to his first wife; who had, by her first husband, a daughter Harriet, who married George Robinson of Somerville; at whose house she died, Dec. 29, 1838, but was buried in Hull. He moved to Scituate after the death of his second wife; where he died March 5, 1852, aged eighty-four, and was buried in Hull.

7. John, son of John and Elizabeth, born March 3, 1797; married Emma Dill, daughter of Daniel and Mary Chubbock Dill of Hull, Nov. 3, 1818. Children, — Jane Binney, born July 24, 1819, married John Wesley Power of Hingham, Feb. 13, 1848; John, born Dec. 7, 1822; Daniel Dill, Jan. 13, 1827. He died April 17, 1828. His widow still lives in Hull.

8. John, son of John and Emma, born Dec. 7, 1822; married Mary Elizabeth, daughter of William and Mary (Dill) Pope, Dec. 25, 1853. Children, — John W., born at Hull, Dec. 2, 1854, died Jan. 18, 1855; Harriet Swain, born May 13, 1856; Annie Clark, May 7, 1857, died Dec. 14, 1857.

8. Daniel D., son of John and Emma, born Jan. 13, 1827; married Esther B. L., daughter of Thomas and Anna Ratchford, of Halifax, N.S., July 14, 1852. Children, — Esther Sophia, born at Hull, June 12, 1854; Emma Jane Binney, March 3, 1856.

7. Hannah, daughter of Thomas and Sarah of Weymouth, married Elijah Pierce of Weymouth. Children, — Jeremiah C., Eliot C., Frances.

7. Mary, daughter of Thomas and Sarah, married Capt. Clark. Child, — Elizabeth E. She is a widow, and lives in Boston.

7. Loring W., son of Thomas and Sarah, born Oct. 3,

1803; married Ann Pool of Abington. Children, — Anna F., born Oct. 13, 1831; Charles Loring, Jan. 9, 1833; Sarah Lapham, Oct. 19, 1834; Thomas Franklin, Oct. 6, 1836; William Garrison, June 9, 1842.

8. Sarah L., daughter of Loring W., married John M. Way of Roxbury. Children, — John M.; Clarence. She died March 30, 1858.

7. William, son of Samuel and Polly, married ——. Child, — Samuel.

7. Philip, son of Samuel and Polly Torrey, born July 31, 1777; married Polly Taylor of Hanson, and lives at South Abington. Children, — Mary, born Oct. 1, 1800; Jane, Sept. 30, 1804; Eliza, Oct. 31, 1806; Phebe, April 16, 1809; Philip, Sept. 19, 1802. Known as Deacon Reed of South Abington.

5. John, son of John and Mary, born May 9, 1748; settled in Hull, and died March 5, 1832.

8. Philip, son of Philip, born Sept. 19, 1802; married Sapphira Howland, Dec. 15, 1825. Children, — George Williams, born Sept. 29, 1826; Lucy White, May 24, 1833; Charles Warren, Feb. 2, 1842. Lives at South Abington.

9. George W., son of Philip aud Sapphira, born Sept. 29, 1826; married Lucy Ann Cook. Children, — George Bancroft; Florence Augusta, born Sept. 9, 1849; Frank W.; Lucy Ann; Oliver Henley.

5. John, son of John and Sarah, and grandson of Thomas and Sarah, married Mary Bate, Dec. 26, 1746. Children, — John, born Feb. 9, 1748; Frederick, July 13, 1750, who married Jane Pool; John, born Feb. 13, 1755; Asa, Feb. 12, 1757; David; Noah, Nov. 18, 1759; Ezra, Nov. 24, 1762; William; Samuel, Sept. 16, 1765; Deborah; Sarah; Mary.

6. John, son of John and Mary, born Feb. 13, 1755; married Rachel Clark, and settled in Bolton, Mass. Children, — John, born June 21, 1779; Rachel, Jan. 3, 1782; Elias,

Feb. 16, 1783; Elihu, Feb. 19, 1784; Silas, June 13, 1786; David, Oct. 6, 1788; Ludovicus, Sept. 18, 1790; Charlotte, May 29, 1793; Warren, who died in Scottsville, Va. He was one of the men who built the fortifications on Dorchester Heights, which caused the British to evacuate Boston; and he drew a pension the latter part of his life.

6. Noah, son of John and Mary, born Nov. 18, 1759; married Mehetabel Wild, July 6, 1788, and settled in Milton. Children, — Betsy, born March 28, 1789, married Jesse Tucker; Warren, born Feb. 12, 1793; Charlotte, married Jason Wadsworth; Rachel.

7. Warren, son of Noah and Mehetabel, born Feb. 12, 1793; married Mary H. Wadsworth; published Dec. 16, 1836; lives in Milton. Children, — Edward Warren, born March 21, 1841; John Henry, April 16, 1843; William Ruggles, Feb. 5, 1845.

6. Ezra, son of John and Mary of Weymouth, born Nov. 24, 1762; married Mary Lovell. Children, — Ezra, born May 28, 1788; Harvey, Nov. 12, 1791; Mary; Quincy, Nov. 11, 1793; Betsy; John, Jan. 22, 1804; Alvan. Married Hannah Tirrell for second wife, May 1, 1823.

6. Frederick, son of John and Mary, married Miss Pool. Children, — David; Frederick; Asa; Rebecca, who married Trupont; Warren; Hannah, who married Deacon John Vining.

6. William, son of John and Mary, married Betsy Packard. Children, — Betsy, Polly, Sarah, Lydia, William, Nancy.

6. Jane, daughter of John and Mary, born July 13, 1750; married Thomas Webb. Children, — Hannah, who married Zachariah Nash; Jane, married William Humphrey; Sarah, married Samuel Arnold; Ruth, married —— Whitmarsh; Betsy, married —— Faxon; Nancy, married —— Arnold; Polly; Asa, who married Susan Pratt; Thomas.

6. Mary, daughter of John and Mary, married Jonathan

Trupont. Children, — Jonathan, who married Rebecca, daughter of Frederick Reed; Ezra; Asa; Sarah.

6. Deborah, daughter of John and Mary, married James Jeffers. Children, — Ansell B.; Robert; Harvey; James; Betsy; Lucy, who married a French; Mary, who married a Bryant.

7. Ezra, son of Ezra, born May 28, 1788; married Susanna C. Richards, June 16, 1816. Children, — Susan, born March 24, 1821; Ezra, Oct. 11, 1822; Mary, May 17, 1825; James A., March 22, 1832.

7. Quincy, son of Ezra, born Nov. 12, 1793; married Lucy Loud, Feb. 11, 1821. Children, — Quincy L., born April 6, 1822; Lucy Ann, Sept. 25, 1825; Maria T., Aug. 30, 1830; William H., June 16, 1832; Harriet P., April 5, 1838. He earned his father over three thousand dollars before he was twenty-one. He now lives on a beautiful farm in the village of South Weymouth. His sons have rendered assistance to the author in procuring statistics for this work.

8. Ezra, son of Ezra and Susanna, born March 24, 1821; married Jane A. Wright, Feb. 11, 1849, and settled in Weymouth. Children, — Charles S., born Nov. 12, 1851; Clara Jane.

7. Alvan, son of Ezra, married Phebe Arnold of Weymouth. Married, for second wife, Anna Titterton, an English lady from New Orleans. Married, for third wife, Lucy Vining. Children, — William Titterton, born Sept. 9, 1849; Lucianna, Aug. 31, 1851. Died in 1852.

8. Lucy, daughter of Quincy and Lucy, born Sept. 25, 1825; married Joshua E. Crane of Bridgewater. Children, — Joshua Eddy; Charles Reed; Lucy R., died young; Morton Eddy.

8. Harriet P., daughter of Quincy and Lucy, born April 5, 1838; married William A. Shaw of Weymouth.

8. Susan, daughter of Ezra, married Winslow Blanchard, and lives at Weymouth. Children, — Winslow, Susanna, James Franklin.

8. Mary, daughter of Ezra, married Eleazer Wright. Children, — George Herbert, Frederick, Alfred, Ezra Stedman.

8. James, son of Ezra, married Mary Ann Pratt.

7. Harvey, son of Ezra and Mary, married Lydia Dyer of Weymouth. Child, — Mehetabel. Married, for second wife, Jane Pratt in Boston, Sept. 10, 1818. Children, — Harvey H., Jane P., George H., Anna F. He lives in Bangor.

8. Jane, daughter of Harvey, married Charles E. Lyon. Children, — Charles A., George Evans, Edward.

8. Betsy, daughter of Ezra, married Seth Hersey of Hingham. Children, — Lydia Dyer, Mary Storrs, Henry, Anna, Betsy Reed, Seth Storrs, Henrietta.

8. Mary, daughter of Ezra, married David Lovell. Child, — David Brigham.

8. John, son of Ezra, born Jan. 22, 1804; married Lydia B. Vining, Nov. 10, 1825. Children, — Augusta, born Aug. 23, 1826; John Bradford, Nov. 3, 1830; Henry, Jan. 27, 1833, died young; Franklin, born Jan. 30, 1835; Frederick, May 13, 1839; Helen Anna T., Nov. 5, 1845. His family live in Weymouth; but he resides in New Orleans.

9. Augusta, daughter of John, married Dana W. Barrows. Children, — Abby L., born February, 1852; John R., June 15, 1854.

9. John Bradford, son of John and Lydia, married Emily Jane Loud of Weymouth, Nov. 27, 1850. Children, — Emily B., born Oct. 12, 1851; Henry, Oct. 11, 1853.

9. Franklin, son of John and Lydia, married Pamelia Thayer of Weymouth, June 8, 1852. Children, — Jennie, born Oct. 21, 1856; Lizzie, May 13, 1858.

7. Betsy, daughter of Ezra and Mary, born Aug. 15, 1796; married Seth S. Hersey of Hingham, Nov. 28, 1816. Children, — Lydia B., born Aug. 22, 1847; Mary Stowers, Oct. 13, 1818, married Robert A. Cushing, June 1, 1841; Henry, born May 2, 1820; Ann, May 19, 1822, married Pyam C. Burr, June 1, 1843; Betsy R., born Nov. 23, 1823, married Theophilus Burr, Nov. 27, 1845; Seth Stowers, born Nov. 21, 1833; Henrietta, May 6, 1836, married Ebed L. Ripley, Dec. 23, 1856.

8. Henry, son of Seth S. Hersey and Betsy Reed, born May 2, 1820; married Betsy Shute, Nov. 29, 1845. Children, — Elizabeth; Henry M. He died in New Orleans.

8. Lydia B., daughter of Seth S. Hersey and Betsy Reed, born Aug. 15, 1817; married Joshua Jacobs, Aug. 22, 1847. Child, — Laura R., born Sept. 13, 1855.

8. Mary S., daughter of Seth S. Hersey and Betsy Reed, married Robert A. Cushing. Children, — Robert A., born Jan. 17, 1843; Alfred, Dec. 9, 1855. He died in Hingham.

8. Ann C., daughter of Seth S. Hersey and Betsy Reed, born May 19, 1822; married Pyam C. Burr, June 1, 1843. Children, — Frederick; Henry.

7. John, son of John and Rachel, born in Weymouth, June 21, 1779, and went with his father to Bolton, where he married Lucy Houghton. Children, — John Amory Reed, who married at St. Thomas, and had two children, — Elizabeth and Catherine. John Reed also had Catherine, who married a Swanton; and Charlotte, who married Joseph B. Eaton. His widow lives at No. 19, Hancock Street, Boston.

7. Elihu, son of John and Rachel, born at Weymouth, Feb. 19, 1784, and went with his father to Bolton, where he married Sabra Houghton. Children, — Elihu, who is a merchant on Long Wharf, Boston; Charles W., of No. 67,

Commercial Wharf, born in 1809, and lives in Brighton; James H.; Frank; William.

8. Charles W., son of Elihu and Sabra, married in Boston to Martha A. Bullard, for second wife, in 1852.

7. Elias, son of John and Rachel, born Feb. 16, 1783; married Sally Block of Richmond, Va. Children, — Susan, who married her cousin, David H. Reed (deceased, leaving children Nannie and Susan); Rachel, who married a Bland, and has a child, named Maggie; Elias, who died unmarried; Sarah; Charlotte, who married Capt. Poythres; William B., who married Lucy Franklin of Richmond, Va.; C——; John H., a sea-captain.

8. Charles W., son of Elihu and Sabra, married a Hearsey of Hingham; and, for second wife, Martha Bullard.

8. Silas, son of John and Rachel, born at Weymouth, June 13, 1786; married Miss Betsy Whitcomb of Bolton. Children, — Charlotte W., who lives in Manchester, Ill.; Warren, who is in California; John, in Alexandria; Emily, married Haslip, and lives in Illinois; Joseph; Silas, who is in California.

8. David, son of John and Rachel, married Nancy Nurse of Bolton. Children, — David H.; Ann.

9. David H., son of David and Nancy, married Susan Richmond.

8. Henry Ludovicus, son of John and Rachel, born Sept. 18, 1790; married Charlotte Stickney. Children, — Henry C., of the firm of Ross, Campbell, and Company, of Baltimore, who married Kate Ring of York, Pa.; Thomas D.; John W., who died in Norfolk; Mary E.; Charlotte S.; Julia L.; John L.

8. Charlotte, daughter of John and Rachel, born at Weymouth, May 29, 1793; married Levi Houghton of Bolton, and moved to Bath. Children, — Levi Warren; Elizabeth; Amory, who married a Miss Jewell; Clara, who married

a Kimball of Bath. John R., who married a M'Lellan; Henry L.; Frederick; Charlotte, who married C. I. Mackee of New Orleans.

8. Catherine, daughter of John and Lucy, married John Sivanton of Bath. Children, — Kate, who married a Haselton; Ann Eliza; Henry; Augusta; Josephine.

Charlotte, daughter of John and Lucy, married Joseph B. Eaton of Boston. Children, — Maria, Charlotte, Kate, Lucy, Elizabeth.

Clara, daughter of John and Rachel, married Joseph Hartwell of Ware. Children, — John W., who married Pauline Bachelder; Warren, married Alice Clarke; Silas; Clara, who married Dr. E. B. Richardson, and had Clara; Mary; Carrie; Hattie; Lottie.

Jesse, son of Ezekiel and Mary, born in 1788; married Hannah Haywood in 1800. Children, — Eliza, who married John Davenport, and died, leaving two sons and two daughters; Hannah H.; Horatio G.; Simeon R., died young; Thomas, died young; Harriet W.; Mary; Ann M.; Roxanna; George W., died young; Jesse, died young. Married, for second wife, Louisa Lindsey, May 28, 1850. Children, — Mary Louisa, born Aug. 9, 1853; Jesse Edwards, Jan. 17, 1857. He is known as Col. Reed, and lives in Marshfield. He has probably been the author of more new inventions, and obtained more patents, than any other person in the United States; and is now, in the eighty-third year of his age, actively employed in a new and important invention. Among the long list of his useful inventions are the machines known as the "Odiorne tool," the "Reed tool," the machine now in almost universal use for making cut-nails, and machines for pulverizing dyewoods, for steering vessels, as well as various kinds of pumps, treenail machines, cotton-gins, &c. He is said to be a man of great industry and indomitable perseverance. Free and generous, he expends

on new inventions the fruits of his previous toils. He has made and lost several fortunes in his day: but, although poor, has made many rich; and his name will be remembered by future generations with respect and gratitude. Though no towering monument should be raised to his memory, yet every nail driven in the building of our dwellings speaks forth the benefits of his wonderful ingenuity.

Hannah H., the daughter of Col. Jesse and Hannah, married Martin McLaughlin in Mansfield, and settled in Duxbury. Children, — Roxanna, who died young; Martin P., now of Wisconsin; George T.; Hannah R.; Mary W. Mrs. McLaughlin died at East Bridgewater in 1841.

George T. McLaughlin, son of Martin and Hannah, married Clara M. Holden of Boston, and keeps at No. 108, State Street.

Hannah R., the daughter of Martin McLaughlin and Hannah, married John Richards of West Bridgewater. Children, — Charlotte, and one infant whose name is unknown.

Mary W., daughter of Martin McLaughlin and Hannah, married George H. Carlton of North Bridgewater, and has one son.

Harriet N., daughter of Col. Jesse Reed and Hannah, married Joseph Parsons, and lives at Marshfield. Children, — Joseph; Julia, who married Joel Moses of the State of Maine.

Ann M., the only surviving daughter of Col. Jesse Reed and Hannah, married Charles Walker, and lives at Marshfield. Children, — Matilda, Charles, Edmond, Almeda.

3. Jacob, third son of William and Esther of Weymouth, was born Nov. 6, 1691. He settled in Abington — the part now called South Abington — in 1708. He married Sarah Hersey. Their children were — (1.) Sarah, born May 2, 1718: she married Rev. Solomon Reed of Titicut Parish, Middle-

borough; being his second wife.* (2.) Jacob, born July 7, 1720: he married Rebecca Andrews. (3.) Hannah, born Feb. 26, 1722: she married Joshua Howe, Dec. 26, 1754. (4.) William, born Sept. 20, 1725. (5.) Elijah, born Feb. 14, 1727: he married, in 1753, Sarah, daughter of Obadiah Reed. (6.) Betty, born March 1, 1731: she died young. After the death of his wife Sarah, he married Widow Hannah Noyes. Their only child was — (7.) Betty, born in 1734. He appears to have been a man of influence, from the fact that he was elected to the office of Town Clerk of Abington nineteen years. He died in 1766, at the age of seventy-five years.

4. William, son of Jacob and Sarah of Abington, born Sept. 20, 1725; married, in 1750, Silence Nash. Their children were — (1.) Silence, born Aug. 6, 1753; died July 10, 1794. (2.) William, born June 8, 1755. (3.) Jane, born June 23, 1757: she married Rev. David Gurney, who was settled as successor of Rev. Solomon Reed of Titicut Parish, Middleborough. (4.) Betsey, born Feb. 23, 1760: she married Ebenezer Porter of Abington. (5.) Susanna, born July 26, 1762: she married Benjamin Bates of Abington. (6.) James, born Oct. 6, 1764: he married Ruth Porter of Bridgewater. (7.) Timothy, born May 29, 1767; died Sept. 8, 1775. (8.) Mehetabel, born Jan. 29, 1770; died Jan. 6, 1773. This William, son of Jacob and Sarah, was an earnestly religious man, and for many years a leader in the neighborhood religious meetings of his time. He died Dec. 4, 1807, aged eighty-two years: Silence, his wife, died March 9, 1807.

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* During her maiden life, she was accustomed to say that there were three conditions with which she would not be connected in marriage; viz., with a widower who had children, with a clergyman, or with her own cousin. But she seems to have changed her mind; for, in marrying Rev. Solomon Reed, she married them all in one.

5. Rev. William Reed, second child of William and Silence, and grandson of Jacob and Sarah, was born in Abington, June 8, 1755. Being in early life religiously disposed, he desired a liberal education, with the purpose of entering the Christian ministry. He graduated at Harvard College in 1782; and in April, 1784, was ordained as pastor of the Congregational Church in Easton, Mass. In May, 1784, he married Olive Pool * (born Jan. 28, 1767), third daughter of Samuel Pool of Bridgewater. The children of Rev. William and Olive were — (1.) Mehetabel, born in Easton, June 20, 1785: she married Jacob Deane of Mansfield in 1808. (2.) William, born Dec. 12, 1787. (3.) David, born Feb. 6, 1790. (4.) Olive, born in April, 1792; died in August, 1793. (5.) Jason, born Oct. 14, 1794. (6.) Daniel, born March 22, 1797. (7.) Seth, born Aug. 22, 1799. (8.) Lyman, born Dec. 28, 1801. (9.) Lucius, born Oct. 27, 1805. Mr. Reed died Nov. 16, 1809; having been the pastor of the church in Easton upwards of twenty-five years. His ministry, though not distinguished by unusual instances of religious excitement, was a successful one, considering its limited duration. The number of church-members was much increased; and his labors were believed by disinterested observers to have had an important influence in effecting a decided reformation in the moral character of the town, whose reputation in the surrounding places had for some years been low. The staid and reliable character of the first settlers had not, with some honorable exceptions, been maintained by their descendants. Many of them had fallen

* I find frequent marriage alliances to have been formed, and a quartering of arms, between the Reeds and Pools in the fourteenth century. The name was then Pole; and the alteration of the orthography is in keeping with the manner in which the etymology of words has been, in many cases, entirely lost. Pool is a corruption of De la Pole, Lord Chancellor under Richard II., and whose sister married a Reed; a large amount of property coming into the hands of the Reed Family by that marriage.

into the vices then common to new settlements;* and the immoral tendencies had been aggravated by the disturbed and unprofitable character of the two preceding ministries,—one contentious, and the other immoral. There was a call for reform; and it was accomplished, as became manifest to all observers: so that, at Mr. Reed's decease (Nov. 16, 1809, at the age of fifty-four), the reputation of the town, as to the maintenance of order and exemplary morals, stood on a full equality with its neighbors. This reform, aided under Providence by the general progress of society, was brought about, not suddenly with religious excitement, but gradually and quietly; the natural result, so far as the minister's influence was concerned, of a faithful devotion to his duties as a preacher and pastor, enforcing all by his own steady and pure Christian example.†

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* At the time of Mr. Reed's settlement in Easton, in 1784, probably one-quarter, if not one-third, of the territory was covered by the original forest.

† The period at which Mr. Reed was settled was peculiarly unfavorable, as regards worldly support; and his experience not only shows the trials and privations of a country minister's life from seventy-five to fifty years ago, but reveals also — what only those who have felt it can fully understand, and what is as true now as then — the real destitution and distress to which his family is liable, when the scanty support of his small salary is cut off by death. This destitution and distress, in the present case, were experienced to the full extent by the death of Mr. Reed in November, 1809. His original salary (one hundred pounds) was very imperfectly paid for many years, owing to the depressed state of the whole business of the country just after the Revolutionary War: and, by the great changes in the prices of provisions and labor, it soon became much less valuable; so that, during the twenty-five years of his ministry, the average value of his salary was less than two-thirds of the cash value of a hundred pounds when he was settled. Under these circumstances, it was only with the most rigid economy and many privations that essential family expenses could be met. It is not difficult to understand that the situation of the widow was one of peculiar anxiety and trial, thus left without means, with her two oldest sons on their last year in college, and five younger sons to be supported and educated. By the blessing of Providence, she was carried through it, and, at the close of a long life, was able to say (Ps. xxxvii. 25), "I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread." She remained in widowhood amongst her husband's people upwards of forty years, beloved and respected for her peace-loving spirit, her gentleness and sweetness of temper, and her consistent and exemplary Christian life. She died on the 26th of March, 1850, at the age of eighty-three; and her eight surviving

6. Mehetabel, daughter of Rev. William, born June 20, 1785; married Jacob Deane of Mansfield, who descended from John Deane in the following order: John Deane came from Chard, in England, in 1636. He had a son John, who had Samuel; and Samuel had William; and William had John; and John had Jacob, the husband of Mehetabel Reed. Mr. Deane occupies the paternal estate of his ancestors, which has been thus occupied for several generations. The dwelling-house was built by one of them, in the early part of the eighteenth century.

7. William Reed Deane, son of Jacob and Mehetabel (Reed) Deane, and the eldest grandson of Rev. William Reed, born in Mansfield, Aug. 21, 1809; merchant of Boston, and resides in Brookline, Mass; married Abby Doggett, daughter of Rev. Simeon Doggett of Raynham, Mass., May 22, 1834. Children, — William Roscoe, born in Boston, April 15, 1835, lawyer in Chicago, Ill.; Samuel Blair, born in Boston, Dec. 19, 1837, merchant of Lacon, Ill.; Abby Weston, born in Roxbury, Sept. 28, 1839; Henry Ware, born Dec. 1, 1847.

8. William Roscoe Deane, eldest great-grandson of Rev. William Reed, and son of William Reed Deane and Abby, married Ellen M. Underwood, daughter of Hon. Abel Underwood of Wells River, Vt., July 14, 1858. He is of the firm of Stiles and Deane, attorneys-at-law, Chicago, Ill.

7. Olive Reed Deane, the eldest grand-daughter of Rev. William Reed and Mrs. Olive, and daughter of Jacob and Mehetabel (Reed) Deane, born in Mansfield, Sept. 1, 1810; died in Boston, Sept. 29, 1828.

7. Emily Deane, daughter of Jacob and Mehetabel (Reed)

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children, from distant locations, after thirty-five years' separation as a whole, and all in health, at the average age of fifty-four, gathered around her bier, at the old homestead, to mingle their tears and prayers (for the last time as it proved), and to lay her precious dust by the side of their honored and lamented father.

Deane, born in Mansfield, July 27, 1812; married Alfred A. Hall of Raynham, Mass., now of Boston, Sept. 29, 1836. Children (all born in Raynham), — Josephine Lyman, born Aug. 18, 1837; Marcia Anna, Feb. 1, 1841; Stella Deane, July 7, 1845; Louisa Jane, Feb. 28, 1851.

7. David Gurney Deane, son of Jacob and Mehetabel (Reed) Deane, born at Mansfield, Oct. 28, 1815; married Hannah A. Baxter, daughter of Chester Baxter, Esq., of Sharon, Vt., March 4, 1840. Children, — Chester Baxter, born in Boston, Jan. 31, 1841, died Nov. 28, 1841; David G. Deane, died at Sharon, Vt., Feb. 8, 1850.

7. Jane Gurney Deane, daughter of Jacob and Mehetabel (Reed) Deane, born in Mansfield, Dec. 12, 1824; formerly a teacher in Boston; now (1860) resides in Mansfield.

6. William, son of Rev. William of Easton, was born Dec. 12, 1787. He graduated at Brown University in 1810. In November, 1812, he married Betsey Drake, daughter of Bethuel Drake of Easton. Their children were — (1.) William Gurney, born in Plymouth, Sept. 25, 1813. (2.) Lieuphemia Eustatia, born in Easton, Sept. 13, 1815. (3.) Charles Henry, born in Milton, Feb. 5, 1818. His wife died in Milton, Aug. 9, 1821. He married, for second wife, Abigail, widow of Calvin Howe of Boston, in November, 1822. On leaving college, he spent several years as a teacher, — first in Plymouth, and then in charge of Milton Academy, — and was popular and successful. He afterwards completed a course of study at the Divinity School, Cambridge; and preached for several years, but never took permanent charge of a parish. In middle life, he settled on the homestead of his father, at Easton; where for many years he held the commission and performed the duties of a justice of the peace.

7. William G., son of William, Esq., and grandson of

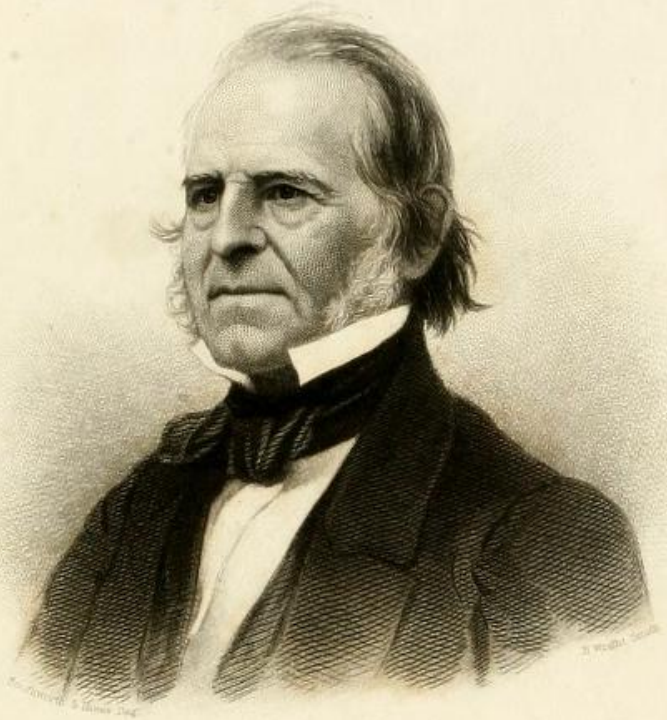
Rev. William, married Sophia Witherell of Chesterfield, Sept. 17, 1834. Children, — Helen Sophia, born in Middlefield, June 7, 1835; William Elisha, born in Millbury, June 7, 1837; Calvin Howe, born in Boston, March 25, 1842; David G., Jan. 29, 1844, died Feb. 18, 1844; Horace D., born July 20, 1847, died in Raynham, Sept. 18, 1849; Maria L., born in Raynham, Feb. 19, 1849. His wife died Oct. 31, 1855. In March, 1859, he married, for second wife, Miss Hyde of Charlestown.

8. Helen S., daughter of William G. and Sophia, married Francis Copeland of Bridgewater, November, 1854. Children, — Anne Sophia, born December, 1855; Helen Frances, January, 1857; Mary Louisa, January, 1858.

7. Lieuphemia Eustatia, daughter of William, Esq., of Easton, married John A. Hall of Raynham in 1837. Children, — Selwin E., born May, 1838; Euphemia E., March, 1841; Francis R., September, 1842; Elizabeth D., November, 1850; Mary Avery, August, 1853.

7. Charles H., son of William, Esq., of Easton, married Mary Davis of Westport, November, 1840. Children, — Charles D., born in Boston, May 6, 1842; Henry L., Dec. 3, 1843; George William, Sept. 12, 1852.

6. David, second son of Rev. William of Easton, was born Feb. 6, 1790. He graduated at Brown University in 1810; being a classmate of his older brother William. Immediately on leaving college, he commenced teaching. In September, 1810, he took charge of the Plymouth Academy, at Bridgewater, and continued the connection two years; in the mean time, and during part of the following year, giving attention, as far as other duties permitted, to professional studies with Rev. Dr. Sanger, then minister of the Congregational Society in South Bridgewater. Early in 1813, he removed to Cambridge, and pursued his studies at the Divinity School. He commenced preaching in 1814; and, from



David Reed

that time till 1821, had charge of different parishes, for considerably extended periods, in Maine, New Hampshire, and Connecticut, but was not ordained. The disturbed state of religious opinions in the parishes at that time, — at the breaking-out of the great controversy between the Liberal and Orthodox parties in the Congregational body, — and his experience of the privations to which a clergyman's family were liable from precarious and inadequate support, led him to decline a permanent parochial connection, till he should be able, without worldly anxiety or embarrassment, to devote himself fully to professional duty.

The opportunity which his mode of life gave him, in these years, of learning the state of religious sentiment and inquiry in various communities, and the growing interest generally manifested in the religious discussions of the time, induced him to propose the publication of a religious newspaper, as an advocate of Liberal Christian views: and, with the approbation of his clerical friends, — Rev. Dr. Channing, Rev. Dr. Ware, and others, — he commenced in Boston, in April, 1821, the publication of the "Christian Register," taking himself its editorial management; and he continues to this time (1860) its publisher and proprietor.

In 1836, May 2, he married Mary Ann Williams, youngest daughter of Howell Williams, Esq., of Brooklyn, Conn. Their children were — (1.) William Howell, born March 16, 1837; merchant in Boston. (2.) Eliza Williams, born Sept. 1, 1838; died Dec. 1, 1847. (3.) Sophia Henrietta, born April 13, 1842; died Oct. 14, 1843.

6. Jason, son of Rev. William, born Oct. 14, 1794; graduated at Harvard College, 1816; married Nancy E. Coates, May 19, 1824. They have one daughter, — Elizabeth Lyman, born February, 1827. He is a lawyer at Milton, and has held the office of town-clerk many years.

6. Daniel, son of Rev. William of Easton, born March 22,

1797; married Sally Wild, Sept. 17, 1821. Children, — Fidelia, born in Easton, Aug. 13, 1822; Sally Wild, July 30, 1825. Sally, his wife, died July 14, 1826. Married, for second wife, Persis C. Hammond, daughter of Thomas Hammond of Carver, Feb. 10, 1828. Child, — Persis H., born June 26, 1829. Persis, his second wife, died March 31, 1831. Married, for third wife, Betsey T. Hammond, May 15, 1832. Children, — Charlotte Augusta, born Feb. 21, 1833, died March 2, 1835; Almira Hammond, born Feb. 9, 1835; Melissa Cobb, Feb. 6, 1837; Olive Janette, March 20, 1841; Thomas Hammond, March, 1843, died in 1853. Betsey, his third wife, died Oct. 11, 1843. Married, for fourth wife, Mary Ann Richardson, Dec. 8, 1847. Child, — Daniel Richardson, born in 1850, died in 1850.

7. Fidelia Reed and John Jay Heard married April 21, 1853. Children, — John Reed Heard, born Jan. 29, 1856; Mary Ann Heard, Aug. 18, 1858.

7. Sally Wild Reed and Henry Dailey married May 4, 1847. Children, — Albert Henry, born March 3, 1848; Charles Thomas, May 2, 1853; George, January, 1858.

6. Seth, son of Rev. William of Easton, born at Easton, Aug. 22, 1799; married Lucy Holden, July 22, 1827. Children, — Olive, born in Boston, June 2, 1828, died Sept. 8, 1828; William Edward, born Nov. 16, 1829; Samuel Payson, born in Baltimore, March 24, 1833; James Holden Lander, July 6, 1836; Wallace Willard, July 26, 1838; Seth Gurney, born July 20, 1840, at a dwelling-house which has since become a part of the College Building of St. Timothy's Hall, near Catonsville; Lucy Holden, Nov. 24, 1842, at Cedar Hill; Charlotte Whipple, Nov. 12, 1845; Mary Laura, July 2, 1849. He is a merchant in Baltimore, and the author is much indebted to him for statistics contained in this work.

7. William Edward, son of Seth and Lucy, born Nov. 16,

1829, took his name from both paternal and maternal grandparents, who both died the same month, and day of the month, in which he was born, both aged fifty-four (although one died in 1809, and the other in 1824); married Sarah Elizabeth Thomas, Dec. 8, 1853, and lives at Damascus, Montgomery County, Md. Children, — Mary Emma, born Nov. 7, 1855; Lucy Holden, May 13, 1858.

7. Samuel P., son of Seth and Lucy, born March 24, 1833; married Rachel Ann Brown, Aug. 23, 1855. Children, — Samuel Payson, born May 20, 1856; Olive Ann, May 7, 1857. He lives in Howard County, Md.

6. Lyman, son of Rev. William Reed of Easton, born at Easton, Dec. 28, 1801; married Marcia Ann, daughter of Judge Jedediah Harris of Strafford, Vt., Oct. 22, 1832. Children, — Jedediah Harris, born in Baltimore, Aug. 2, 1833, and graduated at Dartmouth College in 1854; Ellen Jennette, born Feb. 9, 1835; Lyman, June 9, 1838, died Feb. 28, 1839; Charles, born Aug. 4, 1840, died Sept. 9, 1842. He lived in Boston from 1832 to '56, and was an alderman in 1845 and '46. He is a merchant, and, since 1856, has lived in Baltimore; and has recently obtained a patent for a prevention of the potato disease, — a discovery which has met the approbation of an agricultural committee of Congress as well as of the Patent Office.

6. Lucius, son of Rev. William, born Oct. 27, 1805; married in Boston, to Abby Sumner Harris, Aug. 19, 1831. Children, — William Harris, born Aug. 19, 1832, in Baltimore; Lucius, born in Baltimore, 1834, and died in Texas, Nov. 4, 1857. He died in Boston, Nov. 1, 1855: his wife died Nov. 6, 1839.

Jane Reed, daughter of Silence and William, born June 23, 1757, was married in 1787 to Rev. David Gurney, who was settled in that year as pastor of the Congregational Society in Titicut, Middleborough; being the successor of

Rev. Solomon Reed. He died July 30, 1815, at the age of fifty-six. Their first and only child, a daughter who lived but two days, was born seventeen years after their marriage.

Mr. Gurney was a native of Abington, and graduated at Harvard College in 1784. He sought an education, with a view to the ministry. He was a fine classical scholar, prepared many young men for college, and often had pupils sent temporarily to his care from different colleges. As a writer and preacher, he was above the ordinary range of the clergy of his day; was a great lover of music, and had a fine poetical taste.

Betty Reed, daughter of William and Silence, born Feb. 23, 1760, was married, 12th of January, 1792, to Ebenezer Porter. Their children were — (1.) Betsey, born Oct. 17, 1792. (2.) Lydia, born Feb. 16, 1800. (3.) Sarah, born Feb. 16, 1803. Betsey was married to Christopher Dyer, Jan. 10, 1810; Lydia was married to Edward Vinton, Feb. 16, 1820; Sarah was married to Spencer Vining, Oct. 14, 1824.

Susanna Reed, daughter of William and Silence, born July 26, 1762, was married to Benjamin Bates in 1789. Their children were — (1.) Benjamin, born June 16, 1789. (2.) Susanna, born in 1791. Benjamin married a Miss Jenkins, and died July 11, 1825, leaving two daughters. Susanna married Samuel Blake.

James, son of William and Silence, born Oct. 6, 1764; married Ruth Porter of Bridgewater. Their children were — (1.) Mehetabel, born in 1784. (2.) Hannah, born March 12, 1786. (3.) James, born Aug. 13, 1788. (4.) Jane, born June 10, 1791. (5.) Samuel P., born May 4, 1793; died Sept. 9, 1815. (6.) Timothy, born March 22, 1796; died Oct. 17, 1815. (7.) Marcus, born Aug. 23, 1798. (8.) Cyrus, born July 23, 1800. He died at Abington, Oct. 30,

1855, at the age of ninety years. He was a man of a modest and retiring disposition ; an exemplary and practically good man ; a lover of the Scriptures and of good men ; but, from dislike of rigid church requirements, not a public professor of religion. He died at peace with the world, and respected and beloved by all who knew him.

Mehetabel, daughter of James and Ruth, born in 1784 ; married Samuel Porter. Their children were — Mehetabel, born May 6, 1804 ; Ruth, Dec. 24, 1810.

Hannah, daughter of James and Ruth, born March 12, 1786 ; married Jacob Fullarton of Abington. Their children were — (1.) Hannah, born Nov. 27, 1808 ; (2.) Betsey Jane ; (3.) James R. ; (4.) Jacob ; (5.) Timothy.

James, son of James and Ruth, born Aug. 13, 1788 ; married Mehetabel Dyer, April 19, 1810 ; died Dec. 23, 1810.

Jane, daughter of James and Ruth, born June 10, 1791 ; married Daniel Bates, Jan. 10, 1811. Their children were — (1.) Jane Gurney, born March 19, 1812. (2.) Emily, born Aug. 15, 1814. (3.) Daniel, born May 10, 1818. (4.) Mary Brown, born April 27, 1820. (5.) Eliza Ann, born June 16, 1822. He died June 10, 1826.

Jane Gurney, daughter of Daniel Bates and Jane Reed, born March 19, 1812 ; married George Chandler, Jan. 1, 1838. Children, — Sarah Jane, born June 17, 1839, died young ; Eliza Jane, born June 7, 1842. They live in Manchester, N.H.

Emily, daughter of Daniel Bates and Jane Reed, born Aug. 15, 1814 ; married, May 9, 1833, Washington Peterson, and lives at South Abington. Children, — Emily Bates, born March 16, 1834 ; Elizabeth, Sept. 30, 1836, died April 25, 1845 ; Elizabeth Amelia, born Feb. 4, 1848 ; Henry W., who died Aug. 10, 1850 ; Mary Augusta, born Dec. 22, 1853.

Daniel, son of Daniel Bates and Jane Reed, born May 10, 1818; married Elizabeth Brown, Jan. 28, 1839. He died Aug. 25, 1839.

Mary B., daughter of Daniel Bates and Jane Reed, born April 27, 1820; married Absalom Osburn, Jan. 2, 1838. Children, — Orinda Hyde, born March 15, 1839; Mary; William, July 2, 1843; Emma, March 6, 1846; Daniel B., July 17, 1851; Sarah, Jan. 2, 1852, died Dec. 22, 1852; Frederic W., born April 17, 1856.

Orinda H., daughter of Absalom Osburn and Mary B., born March 15, 1839; married Angus W. Young, March 15, 1856. Child, — Eva Jane Wilson, born Feb. 11, 1858.

Eliza Ann, daughter of Daniel Bates and Jane Reed, born June 16, 1822; married David Reed, son of Jeremiah, as his second wife, Oct. 9, 1839. Children, — Lucy Harrison, born Dec. 23, 1840; David and Daniel, May 7, 1843; Nancy Smith, Feb. 8, 1846; Frank F., Sept. 8, 1855; Edward S., Jan. 30, 1858, died April 19, 1858.

Marcus, known as Major Reed, son of James and Ruth, born Aug. 23, 1798; married Mehetabel Jenkins, May 17, 1821. Their children were — (1.) Marcus, born Nov. 19, 1823. (2.) James, born Feb. 26, 1831. (3.) Timothy, born Sept. 25, 1826.

James, second son of Marcus, born Feb. 26, 1831; married Peddy W. Howland, Sept. 7, 1851. Their children were — (1.) James L., born in Hanson, Jan. 10, 1853. (2.) Alice M., born Sept. 23, 1854.

Timothy, son of Marcus, born Sept. 25, 1856; married Lydia Ann Bourne. Their children were — (1.) Mary Ella, born April 18, 1849, died young. (2.) Ann Eliza, born Sept. 25, 1855.

Marcus, son of Marcus, born Nov. 29, 1823; married Jennette S. Sprout. Their children were — (1.) Jennette Augusta, born Oct. 22, 1849. (2.) Susan M., born July 20,

1815. (3.) Marcus Webster, born Oct. 6, 1856. (4.) Amelia Francis, born Oct. 2, 1858.

Cyrus, son of James and Ruth, born July 23, 1800; married Mary Noyes, Nov. 12, 1829. Their children were — (1.) Cyrus, born Dec. 16, 1834. (2.) Samuel W., born Dec. 15, 1837.

Samuel W., son of Cyrus and Mary, born Dec. 15, 1837; married Ada Norton. Their children were — (1.) Charles H. (2.) Adda.

3. William of Middleborough, son of James, married Elizabeth. Children, — William, born July 18, 1715; Hannah, June 7, 1717; Benjamin, May 26, 1720; Thomas, March 15, 1722; Jonathan, Oct. 22, 1725; Peter, May 7, 1729.

3. John, son of James of Middleborough, married Elizabeth. Child, — Mary, born May 13, 1726.

3. William, son of William and Esther, born in Weymouth, May 24, 1682; married Alice Nash in 1703. Children, — Alice, born in Boston, Oct. 19, 1703, died Oct. 24, 1703; William, born Dec. 15, 1704, died Nov. 21, 1724; Obadiah, born March 14, 1707, died Nov. 4, 1724; Ebenezer, born July 13, 1709; Alice, April 4, 1711, died Sept. 29, 1724; Daniel, born Dec. 6, 1713; James, March 3, 1716; Solomon, Oct. 22, 1719; Jacob; Moses, Jan. 15, 1723; Alice, April 19, 1725, married Jacob Reed, Dec. 1, 1748. He moved to Abington in 1708. At the first town-meeting held in Abington, March 2, 1712, he was chosen selectman and town-clerk. Ten of his descendants, at his death, had been liberally educated. He went by the appellation of "Capt. Reed." His wife died Dec. 5, 1751: he died June 3, 1753.

4. Ebenezer, son of William and Alice, born July 13, 1709; married Hannah Thompson of Middleborough, Feb. 21, 1732. Children, — Ebenezer, born Dec. 11, 1733, died June 4, 1740; William, born Oct. 28, 1735; Ichabod,

April 26, 1738; David and Jonathan, July 9, 1740; Paul and Silas, March 3, 1743 (Paul died June 4, 1743; Silas died Aug. 11, 1744); Abigail, born April 10, 1745, married Jacob Dyer, Feb. 2, 1766; Barnabas, born April 5, 1748; Ebenezer, Dec. 18, 1751. Lived in Abington.

5. William, son of Ebenezer and Hannah, born Oct. 28, 1735; married Ruth Shaw, Dec. 27, 1759.

5. David, son of Ebenezer and Hannah, born July 9, 1740 (twin-brother of Jonathan); married Mary Ford, April 22, 1762. Children, — Ichabod, born Nov. 25, 1763; Abigail, June 4, 1765; David, May 3, 1767; Ebenezer, March 27, 1769; Andrew, June 25, 1771; Paul, Oct. 12, 1773.

6. David, son of David and Mary, born May 3, 1767; married Elizabeth T. Brown, Sept. 10, 1810. Children, — Charlotte, born May 16, 1812; Woodbridge Brown, Nov. 19, 1810; Anson, Sept. 25, 1814; Nancy, Dec. 6, 1815; David. Married Nancy Smith. Children, — Lucy Harris, born Dec. 23, 1840; Nancy Smith, Feb. 8, 1846; Frank, Sept. 8, 1856.

6. Paul, son of David, born Oct. 12, 1763; married Mercy Noyes, Oct. 4, 1792.

4. Daniel, son of William and Alice, born Dec. 6, 1713; married Ruth White, Sept. 15, 1739. Children, — Rachel, born Dec. 20, 1740, married Jacob Porter, jun., June 6, 1763; Micah, born Feb. 1, 1742; Jesse, March 16, 1745, who moved to Charlemont; Enoch, born Dec. 23, 1747; Seth, July 16, 1750; Ruth, Dec. 4, 1752, married Jacob Gannet, Aug. 12, 1774; Noah, born Dec. 10, 1754. Married, for second wife, Widow Sarah Dawes in 1765. He was one of the first settlers of Cummington, and died April 5, 1781; was a captain. His wife died Jan. 2, 1775.

5. Micah, son of Daniel and Ruth, born Feb. 1, 1742; married Deborah Thompson of Halifax, Oct. 20, 1767.

Children, — Susannah, born Sept. 6, 1770, married Benjamin Bates, Oct. 20, 1767; Mehetabel, born Dec. 23, 1771; Mercy, April 21, 1772, married Benjamin Noyes, Dec. 8, 1793; Enoch, born Feb. 11, 1773; Seth, Jan. 9, 1776; Ruth, July 3, 1778, married Bela Blanchard of Weymouth, Sept. 1, 1799; Noah, born April 22, 1781; Abigail, Nov. 13, 1784.

6. Seth, son of Micah and Deborah, born Jan. 9, 1776; married Catherine Brown, Jan. 10, 1801. Children, — Seth, born May 2, 1804; Noah, Feb. 20, 1810; Lucy, July 20, 1802.

7. Seth, son of Seth and Catherine, born May 2, 1804; married Sally Blanchard, Sept. 13, 1826. Children, — Ann M., born Nov. 15, 1829; Ruth Torrey, Dec. 24, 1833; Seth Deane, June 19, 1840; an infant, name not given, April 10, 1842; Sarah Weston, Oct. 9, 1847.

5. Seth, son of Daniel and Ruth, born July 16, 1750; married Thankful Whitmarsh in 1773. She died in Cummington, June 2, 1775; and he married Mary Liswell for second wife, in 1776. Tradition says, that, as he was passing where a man was felling a tree, it fell across the road upon him, and killed him. Children, — Olive, who died at Cummington, Jan. 2, 1775; Seth, who married Catherine, and had a son Seth, born May 2, 1804; Mehetabel, born June 4, 1806; Lucy, July 20, 1802, married Pliny Edson in 1819. He died at Cummington, Dec. 19, 1853.

5. Noah, son of Daniel and Ruth, born Dec. 10, 1754; married Abigail, daughter of Sylvanus Rice of Charlemont, July 12, 1784, and settled in Cummington. Children, — Abigail, born April 16, 1785, married Salem Streeter, February, 1812, and died at Plainfield, Feb. 14, 1853; Daniel, born Nov. 5, 1786, married Cynthia Warren, September, 1814, settled in Cummington, and died Nov. 29, 1854; Ruth, born June 21, 1789, married Josiah Shaw, November, 1825, and settled in Cummington; Nancy, born April 30,

1791, who lives at Sharon, Mass; Olive, born Dec. 15, 1793, married Joseph Tolman, November, 1840, and lives at Sharon; Jesse, born March 25, 1796, married Mary D. Griswold, and settled in Cummington; Orphah, born June 12, 1805, married Alonzo Gurney, January, 1825, and settled in Cummington. He died at Cummington, Jan. 19, 1832: his wife died Oct. 9, 1837.

5. Jonathan, son of Ebenezer and Hannah of Abington, born July 9, 1740 (twin); married Mary Tirrel, April 28, 1763. Children, — Hannah, born July 13, 1764; Jonathan, Feb. 2, 1767; Molly, May 6, 1769. He died in 1769.

6. Jonathan, son of Jonathan, born Feb. 2, 1767; married Deborah Porter, April 13, 1788. Children, — Mary, born 1788; Jonathan L., 1791; John P., 1793; Deborah, 1795; Elizabeth M., 1797; Ebenezer, 1801; Clarissa, 1805; Almira, 1806; David P., 1808; Thaxter, 1809. He settled in East Bridgewater.

7. Jonathan L., son of Jonathan and Deborah, born in 1791; married Charlotte Brown, Dec. 18, 1816. Children, — Charlotte, born May 28, 1821. Married to Lucy Champney of Brighton for second wife, published Feb. 25, 1827. Children, — Susan Champney, born Dec. 30, 1827; Lucy Loring, Aug. 5, 1830.

7. John P., son of Jonathan and Deborah, born in 1793; married Polly Ramsdale, 1816. Children, — Mary Loring, born Aug. 26, 1817, married Edwin Brown of East Bridgewater, Nov. 30, 1837; John Porter, born July 29, 1819; Lloyd Watson, Jan. 7, 1822; Mehetabel R. W., Sept. 15, 1824, married David Gurney, Nov. 19, 1843; Thomas Baldwin, born July 29, 1827, of South Abington.

8. Thomas B., son of John P., born July 29, 1827; married Olive B. Perkins, and lives at East Boston. Children, — Herbert W., born Feb. 14, 1852; Nathan Franklin, Sept. 4, 1856; a son, born April 6, 1858.

8. Lloyd Watson, son of John P. and Polly, born Jan. 7, 1822; married Lucy Bryant, and lives in South Abington.

8. John P., son of John P. and Polly, born July 29, 1819; married Adaline Brown, and lives in East Bridgewater. Children, — Amelia; Albion B.

Ebenezer, son of Jonathan and Deborah, born in 1801; married Patience Penniman. Children, — Ebenezer, born Nov. 23, 1829; George Augustus, Oct. 3, 1831; William Henry, April 12, 1833; Elizabeth Thaxter, Dec. 4, 1834; Emeline Frances, Sept. 29, 1837; Maria Frances, Aug. 25, 1840.

7. Thaxter, son of Jonathan and Deborah, born in 1809; married Mehetabel Brown; published Feb. 4, 1827. Children, — Mehetabel, born May 8, 1830; Haman Thaxter, Aug. 5, 1833, married Sophronia Barker of Hanson, published July 30, 1837.

3. Thomas, son of Thomas and Sarah, and grandson of William, 1st, of Weymouth, born Sept. 12, 1677; married Hannah Randall, Jan. 14, 1701, and lived in Abington. Children, — Thomas, born Oct. 18, 1701; Daniel, Sept. 10, 1704; Hannah, March 14, 1706; Sarah, Aug. 1, 1715. He died Oct. 2, 1719.

4. Thomas, son of Thomas and Hannah, born Oct. 18, 1701; married Sarah, and settled in Braintree. Children, — Lydia, born June 28, 1720; William.

4. Daniel, son of Thomas and Hannah of Abington, born Nov. 4, 1704; married Ruth Torrey, Feb. 22, 1728. Children, — Daniel, born Nov. 10, 1729; Thomas, April 17, 1732; Ruth, April 3, 1735.

5. Daniel, son of Daniel and Ruth, born Nov. 10, 1729; married Mary Turner of Weymouth, Feb. 1, 1755. Children, — Ruth, born Oct. 8, 1756, married Josiah Torrey, March 20, 1783; Daniel, born July 11, 1759; Jacob, Sept. 12, 1762; Molly, July 3, 1766. He probably married

Anna Dowse for second wife. Children, — John, born Aug. 27, 1769; Sarah, Aug. 17, 1762.

6. Daniel, son of Daniel and Mary, born July 11, 1759; married Anna Blanchard, April 4, 1782. Children, — Daniel, born Nov. 18, 1784; Deane, May 28, 1787; David, March 27, 1790; Jesse, June 20, 1793; Amma, Jan. 10, 1795, married Richard Holbrook, March 16, 1815; Josiah, born July 28, 1797; Molly, Jan. 7, 1800; Cuta, April 10, 1802; Gridley, Sept. 6, 1804; Lydia, July 2, 1807; Turner.

7. Deane, son of Daniel and Anna, born May 28, 1787; married Elizabeth Norton, July 28, 1812. Children, — Elbridge, born Sept. 14, 1813; Samuel Norton, Oct. 1, 1817. Moved to Maine.

7. Jesse, son of Daniel and Anna, born June 22, 1792; married Lucy Reed, Feb. 14, 1818. Children, — Jesse, born June 27, 1819; Sally Thaxter, Feb. 9, 1822, who married Seth B. Everson, Oct. 29, 1843; Turner, born April 8, 1826; Lucy Ann, Feb. 9, 1829.

8. Samuel, son of Deane and Elizabeth, born Oct. 1, 1817; married Serusha Bailey of Scituate; published Aug. 18, 1833. Children, — Serusha, born June 27, 1834; Rowland, Oct. 13, 1836; Martha, Nov. 13, 1838; Sophia, Oct. 3, 1840; Anna, Nov. 30, 1844.

8. Jesse, son of Jesse and Lucy, born June 27, 1819; married Eliza Emeline Curtiss, Oct. 23, 1842. Children, — Sarah Emeline, born March 5, 1844; Eliza Johnson, Nov. 1, 1846; Albert Curtiss, April 4, 1850.

8. Turner, son of Jesse and Lucy, born April 8, 1826; married Sarah H. Curtiss, Oct. 3, 1848. Children, — Clifford Wayland, born Dec. 3, 1849; Frederick E., Aug. 4, 1853. He was robbed of a large amount of money on the night of the 23d of March, 1859, and otherwise much injured.

8. Lucy Ann, daughter of Jesse and Lucy, born Feb. 9, 1829; married Calvin P. Powers, Oct. 3, 1848 (the same day of the marriage of her brother Turner). Children, — Charles Herbert, born May 24, 1852; Anna Lee, Feb. 5, 1855.

8. Sarah, daughter of Jesse and Lucy, born Feb. 9, 1822; married Seth C. Everson. Children, — Lucy W., born Oct. 27, 1844; Emelia B., Nov. 10, 1845; Augusta Maria, Nov. 18, 1856.

6. Daniel, son of Daniel and Anna, born Dec. 18, 1784; married Hannah Gurney, July, 1808. Children, — Daniel Edwards, born Feb. 9, 1813; John Gurney, July 11, 1817.

7. Daniel, son of Daniel and Hannah, married Eliza Gurney. Child, — Eliza Kimball, born June 4, 1827.

5. Thomas, son of Daniel and Ruth, born April 17, 1732; married Mary White, July 10, 1755. She was a widow: her maiden name was Hobart. Children, — Mary, born June 7, 1758, married Simeon Gannet in 1775; Hannah, born Oct. 24, 1759, married Daniel Bicknall, Oct. 25, 1780; Thomas, born Dec. 12, 1761; Hannah, June 28, 1764; Samuel, March 11, 1766; Huldah, April 27, 1768, married Dr. Richard Briggs, Aug. 12, 1784; Isaac, born Aug. 4, 1770; Abiah, Nov. 22, 1773. Married, for second wife, Sarah Pulling, widow of John Pulling of Boston: her maiden name was Thaxter.

6. Thomas, son of Thomas and Mary, born Dec. 12, 1761; married Joanna Shaw, Jan. 24, 1783. Children, — Godard, born May 3, 1788; Elizabeth, March 13, 1784; Thomas, Nov. 16, 1786; Ebenezer, July 6, 1790; Simeon Gannet, Sept. 29, 1793; Joanna, Dec. 3, 1795; Amos, May 22, 1804; Albert; Theodore; Adaline, April 22, 1806.

7. Theodore, son of Thomas and Joanna, married Clarissa Jenkins, Dec. 26, 1830. Children, — Martha, born June 19, 1839; Theodore W., Oct. 19, 1833. Married Abigail Wilder for second wife, Dec. 31, 1840: Abigail, born Sept. 8,

1843; Mary Franklin, Oct. 13, 1845; Lydia Maria, Dec. 31, 1847, died; Lydia Maria, born Dec. 21, 1848; Thomas Henry, July 24, 1852.

6. Isaac, son of Thomas and Mary, born Aug. 4, 1770; married Sarah Pulling, daughter of his father's second wife, May 12, 1793. Children, — John P., born Sept. 15, 1795; Sarah, Sept. 19, 1797, married Charles Lane, and lives in Boston; Lucy J., born May 29, 1800; Martha P., March 16, 1802; Marah Hobart, April 11, 1804; Isaac, Jan. 22, 1806; Betsy Gannet, Aug. 25, 1807; Ruth Torrey, July 31, 1809; Annis, Dec. 13, 1811. Married Nancy Lincoln for second wife. Children, — Horace, born Nov. 6, 1820; William L., Oct. 5, 1825; Annis, August, 1828. He was deacon of the church in South Abington. His widow lives at Taunton.

7. Isaac, son of Isaac and Sarah, born Jan. 22, 1806; married Rachel, daughter of John and Thankful Reed. Married Eliza F. Shaw of Middleborough for second wife, Dec. 17, 1829. Children, — Isaac, born March 14, 1834; Eliza Shaw, April 4, 1836; Sarah E., Sept. 15, 1838; Ellen M., Dec. 2, 1840; Henry W., Jan. 13, 1843; Rachel, March 13, 1845; Hannah, Sept. 12, 1848; Mary F., Oct. 17, 1850.

7. Martha Pulling, daughter of Isaac and Sarah, born March 16, 1802; married Seth Pratt.

7. Marah Hobart, daughter of Isaac and Sarah, born April 11, 1804; married William Cushing.

7. Betsy Gannet, daughter of Isaac and Sarah, born Aug. 25, 1807; married Merrit Jenkins of East Bridgewater.

7. Ruth Torrey, daughter of Isaac and Sarah, born July 31, 1809; married John W. Jenkins of East Bridgewater.

8. William L., son of Isaac and Nancy, born Nov. 26, 1820; married Deborah. Children, — an infant, born

March 22, 1848; William B., Feb. 24, 1852; Anna G., Aug. 24, 1855. He is the present representative from Abington.

7. Thomas, son of Thomas and Joanna, born Nov. 16, 1786; married Lydia Jenkins. Children, — Thomas, born April 25, 1812, at Abington; Lydia Jenkins, June 14, 1814, married Lysander Cushing; Henry Watson, Dec. 29, 1819.

Thomas, son of Thomas and Lydia, born April 25, 1812; married Nancy Hunt. Married Alsea Weston for second wife. He died Nov. 30, 1844; and his widow married Brackley Shaw.

Lydia Jenkins, daughter of Thomas and Lydia, born June 14, 1814; married Lysander Cushing. Children, — Lysander Francis; Thomas Watson.

Henry Watson, son of Thomas and Lydia, born Nov. 29, 1819; married Emily Howard.

6. Samuel, son of Thomas and Mary, born March 11, 1766; married Mary Pool, Aug. 28, 1787. Children, — Mary, born March 3, 1789; Samuel, Dec. 18, 1790; Abiah, May 19, 1793; Hannah, March 24, 1795; Marcia, Jan. 19, 1798; Joseph, Oct. 28, 1799; Ruth, July 16, 1801; Charles, Nov. 2, 1802, went West; Elias, 1804, died young. He lived in East Abington, on the premises now owned by his sons Samuel and Abiah, and gave a piece of land for a burying-yard, — the site of the present cemetery, — on the shore of a pond. He died in June, 1805; and was one of the first who were buried on the land he had thus appropriated: his wife died September, 1839.

7. Mary, daughter of Samuel and Mary, born March 3, 1789; married Peter Ford, and moved to Windsor, Mass.

7. Samuel, son of Samuel and Mary, born Dec. 18, 1790; married Polly Corthell, April 21, 1810. Children, — Samuel, born May 26, 1811; Polly, Jan. 16, 1813; Levi, Dec. 31, 1814; Dexter, Nov. 10, 1816; Mehetabel, Sept. 14,

1818, died young; Mehetabel, born March 31, 1822. His wife died June 10, 1832. Married, for second wife, Serissa Lithfield Bailey, widow of Rowland Bailey of Scituate, Sept. 5, 1833. Children, — Serissa, born June 27, 1834; Rowland, Oct. 13, 1736, died young; Martha, born Nov. 13, 1838; Sophia, Oct. 3, 1840; Anna, Nov. 13, 1844.

8. Samuel, son of Samuel and Polly, born March 26, 1811; married Elizabeth Wilkes, and lives at East Abington.

8. Mary, daughter of Samuel and Polly, born Jan. 16, 1813; married John Barrell, and lives at East Abington.

8. Levi, son of Samuel and Polly, born Dec. 31, 1814; married Louisa C. Drake, April 20, 1837, and lives at East Abington. Children, — Louisa Maria, born at Abington, Jan. 10, 1838; Henrietta Bryant, born at Dedham, March 17, 1840, died Jan. 13, 1842; Samuel Bryant, born Sept. 10, 1841; Henrietta Manly, born at Roxbury, Aug. 15, 1846, died June 21, 1849; Mary Emily, born July 27, 1850; son, not named, March 1, 1852, died March 23, 1852; George Baxter Hyde, born July 24, 1853, died Feb. 2, 1857; Alfred Levi, born at Abington, Oct. 9, 1855. He lives at East Abington, and is a justice of the peace for the county of Plymouth, and a member of the Senate.

8. Dexter, son of Samuel and Polly, born Nov. 10, 1817; married Catherine Stetson. Children, — Frederick, born Feb. 11, 1841; Lewis, Oct. 26, 1843; Edith Catherine, Sept. 3, 1845; Mary Alice, Dec. 21, 1846; Ruthena, Jan. 5, 1850, died April 20, 1853; Eveline, born Dec. 1, 1851, died March 31, 1853. Lives at East Abington.

8. Mehetabel, daughter of Samuel and Polly, born March 31, 1822; married George Lewis. Children, — George Howland, born Aug. 16, 1846; Henry Martin, Jan. 10, 1848; Willard Wright, July 29, 1849; Samuel Dexter, April 20, 1852; Charles Sumner, Sept. 2, 1856.

7. Abiah, son of Samuel and Mary, born Nov. 22, 1793;

married Jane Gurney, May 23, 1814. Children, — Abiah, born Sept. 11, 1815; Jane Gurney, Sept. 8, 1817; Roxanna, Aug. 24, 1819; Walter, July 24, 1821; Rebecca Packard, Aug. 29, 1823; Hannah Perkins, July 6, 1827; Clarissa, June 17, 1830; Lucinda Dyke, Sept. 21, 1832; Elias, Sept. 12, 1834; Diana, Jan. 12, 1839. Lucinda Dyke died Aug. 18, 1834; Elias, Sept. 14, 1834; Abiah, jun., Dec. 7, 1835.

8. Roxanna, daughter of Abiah and Jane, born Aug. 24, 1819; married George Totman, May 13, 1835, and lives in Abington. Children, — Lucinda Ellen, born in 1837; George Anthony, May, 1847; Marietta Perkins, 1845; Jessie Maria, July 6, 1856.

8. Walter, son of Abiah and Jane, born July 24, 1821; married Sophrona Joslin. Child, — Edward Stanley, born Feb. 25, 1847. His wife died Dec. 19, 1847. Married, for second wife, Cordone Keen, April 1, 1849. Children, — Sarah Jane, born May 8, 1850; Henry Walter, Nov. 27, 1851.

8. Jane Gurney, daughter of Abiah and Jane, born April 8, 1817; married Luther Joslin of Hanson, Jan. 22, 1844. Children, — Luther Austin, born Feb. 25, 1845; Jane Reed, November, 1848; Charles Sumner, March 6, 1853; Sophrona, Jan. 29, 1858.

8. Rebecca Packard, daughter of Abiah and Jane, born Aug. 29, 1823; married Augustus N. Warren: she was his second wife; his first being Clarissa, her younger sister, whom he married May 2, 1847; and married Rebecca, Sept. 14, 1851. Children, — Everet Augustus, born July 2, 1852; William Henry, April 22, 1856.

8. Hannah, daughter of Abiah and Jane, born July 6, 1827; married Horace Ames of North Bridgewater, Jan. 22, 1855. Children, — Ruth, born Oct. 7, 1856; Abby Swett, Nov. 16, 1858.

8. Diana, daughter of Abiah and Jane, born June 12, 1839; married Benjamin A. Pratt, April 29, 1858.

7. Sarah, daughter of Deacon Isaac, born Sept. 19, 1797; married Charles Lane. Children, — Rachel, Sarah, Annis, Maria, Henry Fayette, Julia, Charles Beverly.

Lucy J., daughter of Deacon Isaac, born May 29, 1800; married Jesse Reed, son of Daniel.

Annis, daughter of Deacon Isaac, born Dec. 13, 1811; married Charles Cook, and lives in Taunton.

6. John, son of Daniel and Mary, born Aug. 22, 1769; married Dorothy Brown, Dec. 1, 1789. Children, — Molly, born March 31, 1790; Nancy, Sept. 26, 1792; John, Sept. 15, 1795; Oren, Dec. 5, 1797; Ruth, June 20, 1802. Married Thankful Jenkins for second wife, March 1, 1805. Children, — Molly, born Jan. 1, 1806; Rachel, March 25, 1808.

7. Oren, son of John and Dorothy, born Dec. 5, 1797; married Charlotte Harden. Child, — Nancy, born July 11, 1822.

6. Jacob, son of Daniel and Mary, born Sept. 12, 1762; married Nancy Porter, Nov. 18, 1799. Children, — Bela, born Dec. 2, 1803; Ezekiel, Oct. 14, 1810; Jacob, March 7, 1801, died Aug. 1, 1819. He died Jan. 21, 1839.

7. Bela, son of Jacob and Nancy, born Dec. 2, 1803; married Joanna S. Lane. Children, — Jacob, born April 5, 1827; Nancy, Jan. 31, 1832, died young; Elizabeth Richmond, born Oct. 8, 1835.

7. Ezekiel, son of Jacob and Nancy, born Oct. 14, 1810; married Cephisa Studley of Hanover; published Dec. 18, 1831. Children, — Emily Cephisa, born April 29, 1832, died young; George Fearing, born May 31, 1834; Mary Turner, July 29, 1838, died young; Mary Augusta, born Jan. 6, 1843, died young; Charles, born July 19, 1847. Lives at Abington Centre, on the tract of land settled by his ancestor in 1708.

7. Godard, son of Thomas and Joanna, born May 22, 1788; married Marcia Reed, Nov. 13, 1814. Children,— Hannah, born Feb. 18, 1816, died young; Diana, born Feb. 27, 1817, married Isaac Keene, June 14, 1835, died Jan. 21, 1838; Washington, born July 6, 1820; Charles Godard, Jan. 18, 1823, died Sept. 22, 1823; Marcia, born July 22, 1828, died Sept. 4, 1848.

8. Washington, son of Godard and Marcia, born July 6, 1820; married Harriet R. Corthell, June 2, 1839. Children,— Henry Harrison, born Aug. 12, 1840; Joanna, May 7, 1846; Charles G., April 28, 1852; Marcia, Nov. 26, 1853. He keeps in Pearl Street, Boston.

7. Amos S., son of Thomas and Joanna, born March 22, 1804; married Huldah B. Loud, Nov. 9, 1826. Children, —Sarah Ann, born June 17, 1832, died Sept. 21, 1849; Amos Newton, born May 21, 1829. Married Rachel B. Reed, widow of Simeon G. Reed, Dec. 14, 1834; Edward Payson, son of Amos and Rachel, born Sept. 21, 1836; Elizabeth Waldo, Aug. 4, 1839, died Sept. 5, 1843; Miranda, born April 26, 1843, died Aug. 1, 1846. His wife died Aug. 1, 1833.

8. Amos N., son of Amos S. and Huldah, born May 21, 1829; married Sarah Boynton. Child,— Harriet D., born May 22, 1854.

7. Ebenezer, son of Thomas and Joanna, born July 6, 1790; married Lucy Jenkins, Nov. 30, 1815. Children,— Cleora, born Nov. 3, 1816, and married Sylvester Dawes, Oct. 9, 1836; Lorenzo, born May 26, 1818; Egbert, June 10, 1821; Lucy, July 2, 1827. He married Patience Penniman for second wife, Jan. 1, 1829. Children,— Ebenezer F., born Nov. 23, 1829; George Augustus, Oct. 3, 1831; William Henry, April 12, 1833; Elizabeth Thaxter, Dec. 4, 1834; Emeline F., Sept. 29, 1837; Maria F., Aug. 25, 1840.

8. George A., son of Ebenezer and Lucy, born Oct. 3,

1831 ; married Susan. Child, — Ann Josephine, born Feb. 6, 1855.

8. Lorenzo, son of Ebenezer and Lucy, born May 26, 1818 ; married Sarah P. Weiderman. Child, — Cordelia, born in Nassau, Nov. 6, 1841. He died Jan. 28, 1845.

7. Simeon, son of Thomas and Joanna, born Sept. 29, 1793 ; married Rachel Burges, Oct. 11, 1829. Child, — Simeon Gannet, born April 24, 1830.

4. Moses, son of William and Alice, born at Abington, Jan. 15, 1723 ; married Phebe. Children, — Moses, born at Abington, March 22, 1751 ; Aaron, June 30, 1754 ; Miriam, Jan. 15, 1757, married Jonathan Marsh, and died May 24, 1804.

4. James, son of William and Alice, born March 3, 1716 ; married Widow Ruth Pool ; her maiden name being Ford. Children, — James, born Aug. 9, 1742 ; Hezekiah, Feb. 23, 1744 ; Jeremiah, April 11, 1747 ; Olive, Feb. 2, 1748 ; Naomi, 1751, married Obadiah Hersey. He lived in East Bridgewater, and died at the age of thirty-seven years. His widow married a Porter.

5. Hezekiah, son of James and Ruth, born Feb. 23, 1744 ; married Deborah Tirrel of Abington, and settled in East Bridgewater. Children, — Deborah, born in 1768 ; Olive, 1770 ; James, 1772, died young ; Isaac, born in 1774 ; Jeremiah, 1777 ; Calvin, 1780 ; Joseph, 1782 ; Jared, 1785 ; Nancy, 1789. He died in 1788 ; and his widow died in 1820, aged seventy-three.

6. Isaac, son of Hezekiah and Deborah, born in 1774 ; married Sally Stetson in 1803, and lives in East Bridgewater. Children, — Sally, born Oct. 22, 1803 ; Isaac, Jan. 26, 1805 ; Nahum, Dec. 15, 1806 ; Dexter, Jan. 21, 1809 ; James Thaxter, Oct. 8, 1815 ; Calvin, April 3, 1819 ; Diantha, April 21, 1821.

6. Jeremiah, son of Hezekiah and Deborah, born in 1777 ;

married Rebecca Jenkins, March 3, 1803. Children, — Albert, born Aug. 23, 1803; Melvin, March 30, 1806; Nathaniel, Sept. 17, 1807; David, July 2, 1812; Charles Spencer, Oct. 12, 1816.

7. Albert, son of Jeremiah and Rebecca, born Aug. 23, 1803; married Almira Drake of Hanson in 1832. Children, — Albert L., born in 1834; Sarah S., 1835; Augusta, 1847, died in 1849. He lives in Abington.

7. Melvin, son of Jeremiah and Rebecca, born March 30, 1806; married Emily Pool, Nov. 12, 1829.

7. Nathaniel, son of Jeremiah and Rebecca, born Sept. 17, 1807; married Betsy Bartlett of Cummington in 1831. Children, — Elizabeth, born 1831, died 1833; Nathaniel L., born in 1834; Edward, 1836, died in 1847; Marshal, born in 1841; Elizabeth, 1843. His wife died in 1843.

7. David, son of Jeremiah and Rebecca, born July 2, 1812; married Nancy Smith in 1836: she died in 1837. Married Eliza Bates in 1839. Children, — Lucy H., born in 1840; Nancy, 1846; Frank, 1855.

6. Calvin, son of Hezekiah and Deborah, born in 1780; married Hannah Loudon, Oct. 15, 1807. Children, — Oakes, born Sept. 11, 1808; Deborah, February, 1810; Hezekiah, July 1, 1812; Susannah Pratt, Dec. 7, 1814. He lived in Abington.

8. Oakes, son of Calvin, settled in East Bridgewater; born Sept. 11, 1808; married Letitia B. Hobart in 1832. Children, — Andrew H., born in 1833; Catherine P., 1837, died in 1855; Eliza A., born in 1839; Calvin P., 1844. He died in 1849.

8. Hezekiah, son of Calvin, born July 1, 1812; married Elizabeth Joslin, and lives in Hanover. Child, — Herbert, born in 1845.

8. Susan, daughter of Calvin, born Dec. 7, 1814; married Mark Dunbar of East Bridgewater in 1831. Children,

— Lavina, born in 1832; Adaline, 1835; Mark W., 1837; Lucy J., 1839; Frank, 1841; Watson, 1843. She died in 1849.

8. Deborah, daughter of Calvin, born February, 1810; married Obadiah Reed in 1831, and lives in Abington. Children, — Obadiah, born in 1832; Webster, 1834; Deborah L., 1852.

9. Andrew H., son of Oakes, born in East Bridgewater, Sept. 11, 1808; married Augusta Keen in 1856. Child, — Catherine, born in 1857.

6. Joseph, son of Hezekiah and Deborah of Bridgewater, born in 1782; married Charlotte Stetson in 1807, and lives in East Bridgewater. Children, — Lucius, born in 1808; Aaron, 1811; Charlotte Tirrel, 1814; Joseph, 1817; Daniel, 1820; Marcus S., 1824; Gurnsey, 1826; Ruth G., died young.

7. Lucius, son of Joseph and Charlotte, born in 1808; married Celina Dyer, Jan. 7, 1838. Children, — Lucius Franklin, born May 6, 1840; Henry D., 1842.

8. Aaron, son of Joseph and Charlotte, born in 1811; married Hannah Fullerton, Sept. 15, 1836, and lives in Abington. Children, — Aaron Alden, born April 25, 1839; Hannah M., 1844.

8. Joseph, son of Joseph and Charlotte, born in 1817; married Mehetabel Jenkins in 1843. Lives in East Bridgewater.

8. Marcus S., son of Joseph, born in 1824; lives in East Bridgewater.

8. Gurnsey, son of Joseph, born in 1826; lives in East Bridgewater.

8. Daniel, son of Joseph and Charlotte, born in 1820; married Mary A. Smith in 1844. Children, — Daniel L., born in 1848; Forrest S., 1852; Mary A., 1856.

6. Jared, son of Hezekiah, born in 1785, and settled in

East Bridgewater; married Mehetabel Gardner, 1811. Children, — Samuel P., Timothy, Mehetabel. Married, for second wife, Electa Phillips, Nov. 25, 1832. He died in 1855.

7. Timothy, son of Jared and Mehetabel, went West.

7. Samuel P., son of Jared and Mehetabel, lives at South Abington; married Lemira D. Hurd of New Hampshire in 1840. Child, — Lucina, born Feb. 1, 1846.

7. Mehetabel, daughter of Jared and Mehetabel, married Alvan Porter of Marshfield in 1844. Children, — Alvan Clarence, born Sept. 21, 1846, died April, 1848; Louisa M., born Oct. 17, 1848; Frank S., Aug. 5, 1852, died Aug. 9, 1853; Ellen Florence, born June 6, 1854; Edith M., April 9, 1857.

5. Jeremiah, son of James and Ruth, born April 11, 1747; married Sarah Tirrel. Children, — Obadiah; Olive.

5. David, son of Ebenezer and Hannah, born at Abington, July 8, 1740; married Mercy Ford, April 22, 1762. Children, — Ichabod, born at Abington, Nov. 25, 1763, died at Cummington, Jan. 12, 1778; Abigail, born June 4, 1765, died at Cummington, April 12, 1781; David, born May 3, 1767; Ebenezer, March 27, 1769; Andrew, June 25, 1771; Paul, Oct. 12, 1773; William, born at Cummington, May 7, 1777; Barnabas, Oct. 16, 1779; Ichabod, May 12, 1782. His wife died March 5, 1787. Tradition says that Mr. Reed was on a visit to Abington at the time of the death of his wife, and thought he had a presentiment that she was dead, by some remarkable appearance at the side of his bed in the night. He told his friends that his wife was dead; and, as soon as it could be ascertained, it proved true. She was riding through a piece of woods, and a tree fell upon and killed her. He married, for second wife, Hannah Reed Bates of Abington, daughter of Ezekiel Reed of Abington, and widow of Samuel Bates, Jan. 9, 1788. He died at Cummington, May 10, 1808.

5. Silas, son of Ebenezer and Hannah, born at Abington, Aug. 11, 1744; married Rebecca. Children, — Abigail, born at Cummington, Nov. 2, 1768, married George Cole, Aug. 6, 1789; Patience, born June 21, 1770, married Joel Randall, Jan. 2, 1791; Hannah, born Feb. 18, 1772, married N. Tower, Dec. 1, 1799; John, born Aug. 14, 1773. Married, for second wife, Mary. Children, — Eunice, born Jan. 21, 1779; Rebecca, Nov. 2, 1780; Mary, Jan. 14, 1782; Asa, Nov. 1, 1784. He died Aug. 3, 1797.

6. John, son of Silas and Rebecca of Cummington, born at Cummington, Aug. 14, 1773; married at Worcester, Jan. 1, 1798, to Hannah Waters. Children, — Henry, born at Cummington, April 5, 1799; Charles, Sept. 27, 1800; William, April 8, 1807. His wife died April 22, 1811. Married Jerusha. Child, — Theodore, born at Cummington, Sept. 1, 1815.

6. Ichabod, son of David and Mercy, born May 12, 1782; married Betsy Robbins at Cummington, Nov. 9, 1804. Child, — Betsy, who married William Wilder, June 13, 1827. He lives in Cummington at the present time.

5. Barnabas, son of Ebenezer and Hannah, born at Abington, May 22, 1780; married Silence. Children, — Polly, born at Abington, March 6, 1775, married Daniel Baker in Cummington, Sept. 3, 1795; Sarah, born Oct. 14, 1776; Barnabas, May 22, 1780; Wealthy, March 9, 1782; William, May 5, 1783; Elizabeth, Dec. 23, 1785; Joshua, March 9, 1788.

6. Barnabas, son of Barnabas and Silence, born May 22, 1780. Children, — Joshua; Barnabas.

6. Joshua, son of Barnabas, born May 9, 1788; married Susanna Noyes, and settled in Plainfield. Children, — Rosander, Susan F., Westa W., Samuel W., Siloma, Edward J.

7. Samuel W., son of Joshua and Susanna, married Adda Norton. Children, — Charles H.; Adda. Resides in Boston.

5. John, son of Daniel and Ann, born at Abington, Aug. 27, 1769; married Hannah. Children, — Henry, born at Cummington, April 5, 1799; Charles, Sept. 27, 1800; William, April 8, 1807. His wife died April 22, 1811. Married Ruth, who died May 28, 1814. Married Jerusha. Child, — Theodore, born Sept. 1, 1815.

Albert, married in Cummington, to Almira Bradley, Aug. 26, 1840. Child, — Charles E., born April 29, 1850.

4. Obadiah, son of William and Alice, born March 14, 1707; married Mary Nash, Oct. 19, 1731. Children, — William, born Feb. 24, 1732; Mary, March 27, 1734, married Joseph Hersey, jun., Feb. 1, 1755; Sarah, born March 29, 1736, married Elijah Reed; Obadiah, born May 15, 1738; Silence, June 7, 1741; Matthew, Feb. 21, 1750; Silas, Oct. 27, 1751.

5. Obadiah, son of Obadiah and Mary, born May 15, 1738; married, probably, Content Lincoln for first wife, and had Obadiah, born Jan. 4, 1760. Married Elizabeth Shaw in 1770. Children, — Joel, born Oct. 26, 1771; Mehetabel, Jan. 24, 1775, who married Bela Reed, son of Jacob.

6. Obadiah, son of Obadiah, born in 1760; married Elizabeth Richmond. Children, — Silas, born Feb. 13, 1789; Abel Richmond, Sept. 27, 1791; Obadiah, Jan. 1, 1796; Elizabeth, March 25, 1797; Salmon, Oct. 25, 1798, drowned in 1823; Isaac, born June, 1801; Israel, Aug. 10, 1806; Emily, Oct. 26, 1809.

7. Isaac, son of Obadiah, born June, 1801; married Sally Weeks. Child, — Ammis, born Sept. 3, 1828.

7. Obadiah, son of Obadiah, born Jan. 1, 1796; married Deborah, daughter of Calvin, Sept. 27, 1831. Children, — Obadiah, born Jan. 30, 1832; Lawrence Bates, Sept. 1, 1840; Helen Augusta, Aug. 19, 1842; Emma Lawrence, Dec. 28, 1845; Deborah, July 26, 1852; Webster, March 4, 1854.

6. Joel, son of Obadiah and Elizabeth, born Oct. 26, 1771; married Ruth Gurney, July 4, 1793. Children, — Joel, born Feb. 8, 1794; Ruth; Matthew, Jan. 4, 1798; Lydia, June 4, 1800; Albert, May 5, 1803; Harvey, Feb. 27, 1806; Lucius, Sept. 25, 1808; James M., May 25, 1815. Married, for second wife, Widow Raymond.

7. Joel, son of Joel and Ruth, born Feb. 8, 1794; married Jane Raymond, Aug. 1, 1826. Child, — George Washington, born Feb. 21, 1827. Married, for second wife, Bethany Churchill, Nov. 16, 1837. Child, — Pauline Isabel, born May 19, 1840.

8. George W., son of Joel and Jane, born Feb. 21, 1827; married Lucy Ann. Children, — George Bancroft, born April 13, 1847; Florence Augusta, April 9, 1849; Franklin W., May 30, 1852; Lucy Ann, July 5, 1854; Oliver Healey, March 4, 1856.

7. Matthew, son of Joel, born Jan. 24, 1798; married Thurza Harris, Sept. 12, 1822, and settled first in East Bridgewater. Children, — Abigail Harris, born March 16, 1824; Eliza Ann, 1826; Thurza Maria, born in Abington, May 11, 1828; and the following were also born in Abington: Henry William, Feb. 14, 1830; Hiram, Sept. 10, 1833; Lucinda Franklin, Jan. 17, 1835; Matthew Gordon, Feb. 11, 1837; Fidelia Amanda, Dec. 17, 1838; Lucia Elleanor, Aug. 24, 1840; Henry Lendall, March 28, 1842; Martha Ella, April 20, 1846; Nahum Augustus, Feb. 4, 1844.

7. Albert, son of Joel, born May 5, 1803; married Polly Reynolds; published March 26, 1829. Married Maria Colburn, daughter of Rev. S. W. Colburn of Abington; published Nov. 29, 1829. Child, — Samuel Colburn, born June 2, 1832.

7. Harvey, son of Joel, born Feb. 27, 1806; married Sally Pool, Oct. 30, 1830. Child, — Sarah, born June 29, 1833. Married Mary T. Nash, Nov. 23, 1837. Children, — An

infant, born Oct. 1, 1838; Harvey Turner, March 29, 1840; Mary Elizabeth, Aug. 13, 1842; Francis Baylies, Dec. 30, 1844; Abigail Adelaide, May 14, 1847; Alsie Carsillia, Aug. 10, 1850; Charlie Etta, April 15, 1854.

7. Lucius, son of Joel, born Sept. 25, 1808; married Lydia Shaw, Nov. 24, 1831. Children, — Lydia Frances, born Nov. 20, 1836; Helen Maria, Feb. 3, 1833; Henry, Feb. 4, 1842; Lucretia Adelaide, May 24, 1843; Lucius Alston, Feb. 6, 1847; Florence Laurilla, Oct. 22, 1849.

7. Silas, son of Obadiah and Elizabeth, born Feb. 13, 1789; married Mahala Harris, April 13, 1818. Children, — Silas Richmond, born Oct. 9, 1818; Edwin Harris, Aug. 30, 1822; Salmon, March 31, 1824; Evander, May 27, 1827.

8. Edwin, son of Silas and Mahala, born Aug. 30, 1822; married Mahala. Children, — Mary Mahala, born July 24, 1848; William F., March 30, 1851; Emily P., Jan. 24, 1853.

8. Salmon, son of Silas and Mahala, born March 31, 1824; married Maria Sanford, July 7, 1849. His wife died in West Bridgewater, April 7, 1857.

8. Evander, son of Silas and Mahala, born May 27, 1827; married Lucy. Children, — Lucy, born March 9, 1850; Evander, Aug. 6, 1854.

7. Abel Richmond, son of Obadiah and Elizabeth, born Sept. 27, 1791; married Roxanna Willis, April 3, 1828.

7. Isaac, son of Isaac, and grandson of Thomas, married Rachel Jenkins Reed, Sept. 7, 1826; and Eliza for second wife. Children, — Isaac Thaxter, born in Roxbury, March 15, 1834; Eliza Shaw, born in Bridgewater, April 2, 1836; Sarah Elizabeth, Sept. 15, 1838; Ellen Maria, Dec. 2, 1840; Henry Wallis, Jan. 13, 1843; Rachel Jenkins, March 3, 1845; Hannah, Sept. 12, 1848; Mary, Oct. 28, 1850.

8. Silas Richmond, son of Silas and Mahala, born Oct. 9, 1818; married Josephine Bailey of Duxbury; published

June 30, 1839. Child, — Mahala Harris, born April 8, 1840.

7. Israel, son of Obadiah and Elizabeth, born Aug. 10, 1806; married Louisa Humble, Nov. 18, 1838. Children, — Edward Richmond, born Aug. 19, 1839; Salmon Willson, Feb. 24, 1847.

Obadiah, son of Obadiah and Elizabeth, born Jan. 1, 1796; married Deborah, daughter of Calvin and Hannah Reed. Children, — Obadiah; Deborah L. They live in Abington, at a place called the Thicket.

Obadiah, son of Obadiah and Deborah, married a lady from Nashua, N.H.

4. Rev. Solomon Reed, son of Capt. William of Abington and of Alice Nash, was born Oct. 22, 1719. He graduated at Harvard College in 1739. There is no record informing us under whose instructions he pursued his studies for the ministry; though it was probably with Rev. Mr. Brown, the minister of his native town. That he entered the profession from a conviction of duty, and with an earnest purpose to promote the religious well-being of his fellow-men, is very manifest from such of his manuscript writings as have come down to us, as well as from the direct tradition of those who knew him intimately.

During the few first years of Mr. Reed's ministry, and afterward as we have reason to suppose, he was very earnest and devoted in his labors for the spiritual good of others, both by religious conversation and preaching, as well in neighborhoods on week-days as in the regular ministrations of Sunday.

Among the precious antiquarian treasures in the archives of the Pilgrim Society in Plymouth are a few manuscript sermons of Mr. Reed, written in a fine, clear hand, in an easy, flowing style of composition, and indicating decided ability. With these documents, there is also an original

manuscript journal kept by him from Oct. 3, 1743, to Jan. 9, 1745. This journal indicates often a great tenderness of religious feeling; and often, too, a sadly morbid sensitiveness of conscience, evidently arising from the mingled influence of his uncheerful religious views, and a diseased physical constitution, of which he often speaks. The brief extracts, given in notes below, from the journal to which we have referred, help us to a fair estimate of a man somewhat noted in his day; and, at the same time, illustrate the style and tone of religious thought and feeling of that period.*

It was during the period when Mr. Whitefield was preaching in New England that Mr. Reed was keeping his journal, and was so self-scrutinizing as to his spiritual state. The following passages from the journal, relating to Mr. Whitefield, cannot fail to be read with interest: —

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* "Jan. 9, 1744. — O Lord! thou art my God; and thy loving-kindness and faithfulness towards me, on looking of me up and redeeming me from my sinful backslidings (notwithstanding all my negligence in seeking of thee), calls not only for my thankfulness, but strong engagements of soul for thyself. And now, O God! I solemnly renew the covenant I have entered into with thee; and I am resolved, by divine grace, to be more careful to keep my covenant with thee than I have ever yet been. I am resolved never to live one day carelessly, without thee, as I have done; but, if I should lose thy comfortable presence, I am resolved, as thou shalt enable me, to make it my business carefully to seek thee until I shall find thee again."

"Oct. 27, 1744. — I was guilty in the morning of speaking a word too lightly about Satan and his temptations, or the like; and I had a very heavy charge lying against my soul, after this, most all the day: but, in the evening, my weary, sinking, discouraged soul was comfortably supported and refreshed with a sense of God's mercy and goodness."

"Tuesday, Dec. 18, 1744. — I think I felt something of religion in the morning; but I grew dull and careless, accused by conscience, and exceedingly sunk down into discouragements, in the afternoon."

"Wednesday, Dec. 19, 1744. — I was exceedingly barren and lean, and I was very much sunk down under a sense of my guilt and vileness."

"Monday, Jan. 7, 1745. — I had some accusations of conscience in the morning, but not totally beaten down."

"Wednesday, Jan. 9, 1745. — I felt something of a sweet religious frame of spirit."

"Abington, Sunday, Dec. 23, 1744. — Heard Mr. Brown in the afternoon. Monday, I travelled to Duxbury, and heard Mr. Whitefield preach in the evening; and then I travelled with him, and heard him every day, all the week. Sunday, Dec. 30, preached at Titicut; and we had some token of the divine presence. I heard Mr. Whitefield again on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, at Bridgewater, Easton, and Taunton. N.B. — Mr. Whitefield is exceedingly filled with the spirit of Jesus, and not ashamed of Christ, his cause or children; and a wonderful power attended his administrations. The assemblies seemed much quickened, melted down; and sometimes many were overpowered with a sense of divine things, and crying out. N.B. — Sometimes, since I have been with Mr. Whitefield, I have felt guilty, low, and dull; sometimes I have been sweetly revived and refreshed."

In 1746, Mr. Reed was ordained as minister of the Second Congregational Church in Framingham. In 1748, he was married to Abigail Stoughton of Connecticut. He remained in Framingham till 1756; when he dissolved his connection with that church, and was installed as minister of Titicut, a parish embracing the north-western border of Middleborough and the south-west part of Bridgewater.

His children were — Sarah, born in 1750; John, Nov. 11, 1751; Solomon, in 1752; Samuel, in 1754; and Timothy, in 1756. Notwithstanding the limited support given to clergymen in those days, Mr. Reed gave to each of his four sons a collegiate education. After the death of his first wife, he married his cousin Sarah Reed, daughter of Jacob, his father's younger brother. His health, never firm, sensibly declined in 1784; and he died in the spring of 1785, at a little past the age of sixty-five.

We have been permitted to copy the following interesting notice of his funeral. It is from a coarse half-sheet of manuscript, broken and yellow with age, but clearly written in a homely hand. It had been carefully kept, probably, from near that time to the present, in an old Bible of his cousin

William, son of Jacob, which recently came into the hands of a grandson.

"Died at his house in Titicut Parish, with a lingering illness, on the 7th instant (month not named), the Rev. Solomon Reed, pastor of a church in Middleborough; and was interred on the 10th: aged sixty-five. The interment was attended by a numerous concourse, in procession, to the meeting-house; where a prayer was made, and a sermon suited to the occasion, from Isa. xxxiii. 20, was delivered by the Rev. Mr. Shaw of Bridgewater. The whole was concluded by a pertinent and pathetic prayer by the Rev. Mr. Porter; while an effusion of tears marked the affliction of the church and people, and testified the respect they bore his memory. The character of Mr. Reed as a disciple of Jesus Christ, and a luminary in the candlestick in which Providence had placed him, was respectable. The advancement of Christ's kingdom in the hearts of his flock, and among mankind in general, was a subject in which he was much engaged. He was a workman that needed not to be ashamed; for he rightly divided the word of truth, and gave to every one his portion in due season.

"The doctrine of the gospel, which he fervently inculcated in public, and the friendly, pious counsel which he imparted in private, were proved and enforced by his life and conversation.

"He lived to behold and regret true religion perverted, on the one hand, into metaphysical disquisition and vain jangling; and, on the other, reduced to a level with natural endeavors and human exertions. That experimental religion which purifies the heart and overcomes the world was the object which he strove to promote. Its amiable effects were exemplified in his life: its peculiar consolations were powerful in his death. His natural and his spiritual children, the people of his charge, and all that knew him, rise up and call him blessed. May we die his death! and may our last end be like his!"

5. Rev. John, son of Solomon, was born in Framingham, Nov. 11, 1751; graduated at Yale College in 1772. He prepared for the ministry under the instruction of his father, in Titicut; and, after the declaration of American Independence, was for some time chaplain in the United-States Navy. On the 7th of January, 1780, he was ordained as

pastor of the Congregational Church and Society in West Bridgewater; being only the third minister of that ancient parish. In the same year, he married Hannah Sampson of Middleborough. His children were — John, born Sept. 2, 1781; Daniel, Aug. 29, 1783; Hannah, Dec. 15, 1785, died Feb. 20, 1786; Solomon, born March 22, 1788; Hannah, July 7, 1790; Sally, March 21, 1793, died April 27, 1797; Caleb, born April 22, 1797; and Sampson, June 10, 1800. His wife died in 1815; and, in 1822, he married Mrs. Phœbe Paddock, sister of his first wife.

Mr. Reed was a man of remarkably clear and discriminating intellect; was known and acknowledged by the strong minds of his time as a master of logic, — of the great art of thinking and reasoning correctly. In the earnest theological discussions between the Hopkinsians and the Arminians at the large clerical gatherings of fifty years ago, he always stood forward as the champion of the Liberal doctrine. By his ready exposure of sophistry, and his clear and forcible statements, the success of his argument was generally triumphant and crushing.

Soon after the adoption of the Federal Constitution, the almost unanimous sentiment of his Congressional district pointed to him as eminently qualified, by his ardent patriotism, his sound judgment, and his readiness and power in debate, for the office of representative in Congress; and, in 1794, he was elected to fill the office, which he held for six years, through three successive Congressional terms; at the close of which time, he declined a re-election. In 1803, he received the degree of Doctor in Divinity from Brown University. Several of his occasional discourses were published; and, about the year 1805, he published a duodecimo volume on the subject of Infant Baptism.

In his intercourse with men, Mr. Reed's manner, notwithstanding his high intellectual claims, was always marked by

great modesty, and evident humility of spirit. His public discourses, always clear and convincing, were more noticeable, perhaps, for strength than for pathos. In his devotional performances, his manner was most devout and reverential, and indicated unusual absorption of mind. He had the entire confidence and respect of his people, and performed among them, with great discretion and faithfulness, the duties of the Christian ministry for upwards of fifty years. Near the close of life, he became entirely blind; but continued still to preach, and to perform other duties of his profession. He died Feb. 17, 1831, in his eightieth year. It is much to be regretted that there is no print of his remarkably fine head.

6. John, son of Rev. Dr. John and Hannah Sampson, born Sept. 2, 1781; graduated at Brown University in 1803. The first two or three years after leaving college he devoted to teaching, first as preceptor of Plymouth Academy, Bridgewater; and then as tutor in Brown University. He chose the profession of law, and pursued his preparatory studies with the Hon. William Baylies, an eminent attorney of his native town. In 18—, he married Olive Alger, daughter of Abiezer Alger, Esq., of West Bridgewater. He commenced the practice of law at Yarmouth, on Cape Cod. He soon attained eminence in his profession, and was elected a representative in Congress. This office he filled for twenty-eight years. By the impartiality of his course on all important questions, he early obtained in Congress the confidence of members of both Houses. His statements of facts and statistics relating to any subject of debate were always listened to as reliable and true. He thus exerted, after the first years of his service, an important influence, especially in the settlement of all questions involving the interests of his district and his State. There were instances, indeed, particularly in the discussion of questions relating to the fisheries,

when, by a single speech, he completely revolutionized the sentiment of the House, and changed the vote from a lean minority to a triumphant majority. In 1844, he was elected Lieutenant-Governor; and was re-elected to the office each year during the administration of Gov. Briggs. In 1845, he received the degree of LL.D. from Brown University. His children were — Sarah, born in 1810; John, 1812; Martha, 1816; Edward, 1817.

7. Sarah, daughter of Hon. John and Olive, born in 1810; married Caleb S. Hunt of Bridgewater. Children, — Martha, John R., Edward, Mary.

7. John, son of Hon. John, born in 1812; married Amelia Crane of Fairhaven. He is Vice-Treasurer of the Boston Institution for Savings.

7. Martha, daughter of Hon. John, born in 1816; married James F. Joy, Esq., of Detroit, born Dec. 2, 1810, an attorney-at-law, who has attained eminence in his profession, and who holds a position of great influence in connection with the railroads of that region. She died Feb. 13, 1850. Children, — Sarah R., born in Detroit, June 26, 1842; James, Nov. 14, 1847; Martha, Jan. 23, 1850.

7. Edward, son of Hon. John, born in 1817; married Catherine, daughter of William Howard, Esq., of Boston, Nov. 6, 1848. Children, — John, William, Catherine.

6. Daniel, son of Rev. Dr. John, born in 1783; married Nancy, daughter of Gershom Foster of Middleborough, in 1812. Children, — John Montgomery, born Aug. 9, 1814; Charles, Dec. 7, 1815; Jane, Feb. 21, 1819.

7. John M., son of Daniel and Nancy, born Aug. 9, 1814; married Elizabeth Broomfield of Folsom, Norfolk County, Eng., and lives in New-York City. Children, — John M., born in 1849; Elizabeth B., in 1850, died in 1852; Daniel W., born in 1852; Charles Edward, in 1856.

7. Charles, son of Daniel and Nancy, born Dec. 27, 1815;

married Sophia Wilkins Clarke in 1843. Children, — Caleb, born Sept. 20, 1844; Charles Montgomery, 1846; Mary, 1848; Hubbard Wilkins, 1850; William Horton, 1852; Caleb, 1854; Samuel A., June 8, 1856. He formerly lived in New York; but now lives in West Bridgewater, where his two youngest children were born.

6. Solomon, son of Rev. Dr. John, born March 22, 1788; married Abigail Howard, daughter of George Howard, in 1811. Children, — Solomon, born in 1811; George Howard, 1814; William Franklin, 1817. He died in 1822.

7. Solomon, son of Solomon and Abigail, born in 1811; married Lydia Blanchard, Sept. 7, 1838. Child, — Edmond. He lives in Newton.

7. George H., son of Solomon and Abigail, born 1814; married Elizabeth Jeffrey, April 19, 1838. Children, — Isadore, Anna, Walter, Edgar, Alice. He lives in Waltham.

7. William Franklin, son of Solomon and Abigail, born in 1817; married Adelaide Arnold. Children, — Frances Miriam, Georgianna E., John D., William H., Charles Frederick, Abba Louisa. He resides in Boston.

6. Hannah, daughter of Rev. Dr. John, born in 1790; married Jonathan Copeland, 3d, in 1818. Children (all born in Bridgewater), — John, born July 4, 1819; Hannah Sampson, July 27, 1821; Charles, May 3, 1823; Edward, Jan. 26, 1825; Sarah Reed, Feb. 27, 1827; Eliza Frances, Dec. 13, 1828; Helen, Jan. 10, 1834.

7. John Copeland, son of Hannah Reed and Jonathan Copeland, born July 4, 1819; married Louisa Packard, Oct. 15, 1844. Children, — John Reed, born Nov. 21, 1845; Louisa, Nov. 11, 1849.

7. Hannah Sampson, born July 27, 1821; married Err Garfield, Sept. 8, 1856; and had Agnes, born Nov. 2, 1858.

7. Charles, born May 3, 1823; married Hannah Elizabeth Blodgett in March, 1853. Children, — Sarah Frances, born February, 1854; Mary Adelaide, February, 1856; Bessie, January, 1858; Alice, February, 1860.

7. Sarah Reed, born Feb. 27, 1827; married Elbridge G. Fifield, September, 1853. Children, —Frank Edward, born September, 1854; Catherine Reed, September, 1856; Helen, November, 1858.

6. Caleb, fourth son of Rev. Dr. John, was born April 22, 1797; graduated at Harvard College in 1817. He adopted the profession of law, and settled and practised in Yarmouth till 1827. He then removed to Boston. In July, 1838, he married Mary E. Minot, who died in 1842. They had two children, — Helen; Arthur. In November, 1847, he married Ruth Cobb. He died in Boston, Oct. 14, 1854. The following more complete account of his life and character is selected from an obituary notice published in the "New-Jerusalem Magazine" of November, 1854: —

"He entered Harvard College in 1813, and was graduated in 1817. After teaching school in Medford one year, he entered the office of his brother, the Hon. John Reed (recently Lieutenant-Governor of this State), and there pursued the study of the law for three years. He was then admitted to the bar, and practised his profession in Yarmouth, where he resided until 1827; when he removed to Boston for the purpose of entering into the firm of Cyrus Alger and Company, which was afterwards incorporated as the South-Boston Iron Company, and is widely known as one of the principal iron-founding establishments in the United States. He remained connected with this company until his death, which was caused by an attack of dysentery, with fever; and took place on Saturday, the 14th of October, 1854. During this fatal illness, he was cheerful and childlike; not resigned (for this implies the subdual or suppression of some unwillingness); and, to use his own expression, 'he had no choice,' but was glad to leave the issues of life and death in the hands of his Father.

"He received the doctrines of the New Jerusalem while studying

law; being one of a circle of young men, of about the same age, who were in college together, and received these doctrines at nearly the same time, and have ever since lived near to each other in a companionship, from which the late Mr. Hobart, and now Mr. Reed, are all that have been called away. The wish to be with the society of the church in Boston was one of the motives which led him to remove to this city. He assumed at once the position which belonged to his character, and has ever held it; through all these years, aiding materially in promoting every good work, and in averting from us much evil.

"In 1832, Mr. Reed took charge of the Magazine, and has ever since been its editor. Of the manner in which he has conducted this work, we need not speak to the readers of it. One thing, however we cannot forbear from saying: during this long period, he has sustained the Magazine, sometimes with but little of the aid which might have been rendered, always while pressed by the urgent cares and duties of a very extensive business, and always without pecuniary profit or compensation.

"The funeral services took place in the afternoon of Tuesday, the 17th of October, in the New-Jerusalem Church in Boston, and were attended by a large assemblage.

"As most of those for whom we are writing this notice have long known Mr. Reed in his relation to the church, it would seem unnecessary that we should do more than allude to his eminent utility there. The offices he has borne, and the habit of the General Convention, during the whole term of his connection with it, to put him in those places which demanded especial ability and inclination for the discharge of important duties, constitute the best evidence on this point.

"Of his character we must speak, although it will not be expected that we should enlarge upon this topic. Suffice it then to say, that its prominent and governing elements were exceeding kindness and benevolence, integrity, deliberate caution, sound judgment, a steadfast and undisturbed look at the precise use to be accomplished, and the most inflexible adherence to the principles which he thought should govern the question before him. Perhaps it was this sincerity and singleness of purpose, and the quiet firmness that avoided all violence or unnecessary conflict, but was never to be shaken, which, more than any thing else, explain his influence and his utility. This

firmness was adherence to principle, and not to mere opinion; an important distinction, which few persons make. Always conciliatory in manner, he listened, not in silence only, but in good faith, to whatever was said; and impressed those who conversed with him with a conviction, that he was able and disposed to do them full justice: and he easily, for sufficient reason, modified or relinquished an opinion. But his principles were unassailable, and he saw them clearly.

"He has gone from among us. Externally, we shall see him no more, and hear him no more; but it is our hope and our belief, that we shall still feel his influence, and be the better for it. From the new home to which he has gone, he may help us more than ever; for the doctrines which he loved so well permit us to think of him as trained by the life of uses which he led here and its varied discipline, and by the devoting so large a part of his time, his thought, and his affection, to the good of the church on earth, to enter upon corresponding uses, but with far wider scope and far ampler means of active usefulness, in the church in heaven."

6. Sampson, son of Rev. Dr. John, born June 10, 1800; graduated at Harvard University in 1818, where he held a high rank as a scholar. After graduating, he remained at the university about two years as a theological student; but he finally removed to Boston, and adopted the profession of a merchant, — a profession for which his honorable practice and example have uniformly tended to command respect. In Dec. 25, 1832, he married Catherine, daughter of John Clark, Esq., of Waltham. His children are — James, born June 8, 1834; Thomas, Feb. 3, 1837; Elizabeth, July 10, 1838; Joseph Sampson, Dec. 13, 1841. Having early embraced the doctrines of the New Church, he has been one of the principal supporters of the society of this order in Boston, and of the General Convention of the New Church in America. His devotion to the interests of this church for a period of forty years has justly secured to him the confidence and respect of its members throughout the country. His literary tastes have led him to devote much time to

books, and particularly to theological inquiries and studies. Besides his contributions to periodical literature, he has had the sole charge of the "New-Church Magazine for Children" from its commencement in 1844; and also, since the death of his brother Caleb, a prominent part in the management of the "New-Jerusalem Magazine." In 1826, he published a small work, entitled "Observations on the Growth of the Mind," which has attracted much attention, and passed through five editions in this country, and one or more in England.

Unassuming in manners, and of a retiring disposition, he has never sought place or influence in public affairs; though he has served two or three years in the office of alderman. The duties of this situation, as also those of membership of the public-school committee, of bank direction, and of various trusts, public and private, he has discharged in a manner to insure the general respect of his fellow-citizens.

7. James, son of Sampson and Catherine, born June 8, 1834; married Emily E. Ripley, Dec. 19, 1858. Child,—Catherine Clark, born Sept. 21, 1859. He graduated at Harvard University in 1855. After leaving college, he taught one year in the public Latin School in Boston, and then devoted his attention to theological studies; and in April, 1860, was ordained as a minister of the New-Jerusalem Church, and installed as assistant pastor of the Boston Society. He will be remembered, by the members of the Reed Family who were present at the celebration of the two hundredth anniversary of the settlement of Bridgewater, as the gentleman who delivered the poem on that occasion.

5. Solomon, son of Rev. Solomon, born in 1752; graduated at Yale College in 1775; was ordained as minister of the Congregational Church in Petersham, Mass. He married Susanna Willard. His children were — Solomon, born in 1787; Susanna; Mary; Josiah H.; Hannah; Sally;

Samuel H., born in 1795; John; William; Catherine. He died at Petersham, Feb. 2, 1808, aged fifty-five years.*

6. Solomon, son of Rev. Solomon and Susanna of Petersham, born in 1787; lived at Rowe, Mass.; was a man of distinction; a member of both branches of the Legislature. He died at Rowe, in May, 1846; and left no children.

6. Josiah H., son of Rev. Solomon of Petersham, lived in Rowe; died in 1835, leaving a son, who is a wholesale druggist in Chicago.

6. Samuel H., son of Rev. Solomon of Petersham, born in 1795; was associated with his brother Solomon, in Rowe, in manufacturing. He was a representative to the Legislature for five years; was postmaster twenty-five years. In 1847, he was appointed sheriff of the county; in which office he still remains. Resides in Greenfield. He has two sons and two daughters.

5. Samuel, son of Rev. Solomon and Abigail, born in 1755; graduated at Yale College in 1777; ordained over the church and society of Warwick, Mass, in 1779; married Anna Shaw, 1780. Children, — Samuel, born March 23, 1781; Anna, April 19, 1784; Abigail, Feb. 17, 1786; Samuel, April 25, 1788; Stephen, Nov. 5, 1790; Timothy, July 10, 1793. He died July 31, 1812, in the fifty-seventh year of

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* Mr. Reed is represented as a man of large frame and great physical power. His boldness and determination of character are illustrated by an incident in the time of Shay's Rebellion, the account of which comes to us from a reliable source. It is related that a party of Shay's troops came to the house of Mr. Reed during a bad snow-storm, one Sunday morning; turned Mr. Reed's cattle out of his barn, and put their horses in; and, at the same time, took possession of his house, putting their camp-kettles in the several fire-places, and having things in their own way. So great was the confusion, that the sabbath services were entirely interrupted; and when he had time to collect himself, and determine his course of action, he went to the barn, turned the horses out, and put his own cattle back in their place; and, in the house, he passed from room to room, manifesting such resolute determination, that the troops were awed, and restrained from any violence. The result was, that the report of the near approach of Gov. Bowdoin's troops induced the Shays party to decamp in such haste as to leave several camp-kettles behind them, and gave an opportunity of an uninterrupted afternoon service.

his age, and thirty-third of his ministry. He was a man of sound sense, a devoted Christian, and much beloved by his people, and by the community generally. After his death, his bereaved flock erected a monument to his memory. It is a marble tablet, supported by four pillars over his grave, with the following inscription: —

REV. SAMUEL REED,

SECOND MINISTER IN WARWICK,

Died 31st July, 1812; æt. 57.

He had strong powers of mind; was bold in defence of the truth; severe against wickedness; mild towards the humble; pitiful to the distressed; affectionate towards his friends.

Frank and sincere in all his professions; rational and fervent in his piety; faithful in his pastoral duties.

He taught the Christian doctrine in its simplicity and truth; he maintained the freedom of the human mind, the unchangeable obligations of moral duty, the impartial justice of God, and future retribution.

Under the vital impression of this faith, he felt and communicated the cheering entertainments of life, and enjoyed the richest solace and triumph in death.

6. Anna, daughter of Rev. Samuel and Anna, married Deacon Joseph Wilson, December, 1813. She died in Warwick in 1835.

6. Abigail, daughter of Rev. Samuel and Anna, married Joel Mayo of Warwick in December, 1805. Children, — Caleb; Joel; Samuel; Lorin; Mary, born in 1819, married William Crosby, a teacher in Providence; Edwin; Abby, born in 1825.

7. Abby Mayo, daughter of Abigail Reed and Joel Mayo, married C. W. Hastings. Children, — Mary A., Joseph W., Herbert. They live in Warwick.

6. Samuel, son of Rev. Samuel and Anna, married Melinda Wheelock. Children, — John, born Feb. 26, 1820; Melinda A., Oct. 12, 1824. Lived in Greenfield. He died very suddenly, and was interred in Warwick; where his widow resides.

7. John, son of Samuel and Melinda, married Delia Winter. Children, — Frederick E., born March 1, 1847; Ella E., Aug. 7, 1856. They live in Worcester. He is a teacher of music.

6. Stephen, son of Rev. Samuel and Abigail, born Nov. 5, 1790; married Jerusha Moor. Children, — Emily, born March 1, 1821; S. Chandler, April 22, 1822; Charles, Oct. 3, 1823; Abby J., March 24, 1827; Samuel, March 22, 1829; Mary A., Sept. 29, 1830. They lived in Warwick, on the old homestead. He and his wife, and all his children except one, are, or have been, teachers. He died in 1847, aged fifty-six.

7. Emily, daughter of Stephen, married Danford Tyler of Warwick, May 18, 1843. Children, — Emily Jane, born Dec. 18, 1845; James D., June 15, 1848; M. Reed Tyler, June 19, 1850; Mary A., April 18, 1852.

7. S. Chandler, son of Stephen and Jerusha, married Zebiah H. Jones, Nov. 25, 1852. After her death, he married Rhoda G. Tyler, Nov. 25, 1857. He lives in Warwick, and is a school-teacher.

7. Charles, son of Stephen and Jerusha, resides in Boston.

7. Abby J., daughter of Stephen and Jerusha, married Nathan Kendall of Laporte, Ind., May 24, 1857.

7. Samuel, son of Stephen and Jerusha, married Maria H. Barber, November, 1853, and lives in Warwick. Children, — Almah M., born in 1855; Abby J., June 4, 1857.

7. Mary A., daughter of Stephen and Jerusha, graduated at Mount-Holyoke Seminary, and is a teacher; who, with her elder brother and her widowed mother, resides on the old homestead, formerly the residence of the Rev. Samuel Reed: a romantic and beautiful spot.

6. Timothy, son of Rev. Samuel and Anna, married Susan Kinsly. Children, — Helen; Eliza D., born in 1823; Susan K., 1825. He graduated at Dartmouth College,

Hanover; adopted the profession of law, and was partner in business with Hon. John Reed in Yarmouth for many years. He was clerk of the courts for the county of Barnstable, register of deeds, register of probate, and cashier of a bank. He died at Barnstable in 1853.

7. Susan, daughter of Timothy and Susan, married Nathaniel Wales, a trader in Stoughton. Children, — Susan R., born in 1854; Timothy, 1857.

5. Timothy, youngest son of Rev. Solomon of Titicut, born in Framingham in 1756; graduated at Yale College in 1782; married Hannah Kingman in 1788; was a lawyer in West Bridgewater. Children, — Caleb Kingman, born in 1789, died in 1796; Caleb Kingman, born in 1799, died in 1837. He died in 1813: his wife died May 7, 1849.

4. Jacob, son of Jacob and Sarah of Abington, born July 7, 1720; married Mary Ford, Nov. 26, 1741. Children, — (1.) Marcia, born Aug. 31, 1742; married Benjamin Wood, Dec. 20, 1776. (2.) Abijah, born Aug. 14, 1744. After the death of Mary, he married his cousin Alice, daughter of Capt. William Reed, Dec. 1, 1748. The children were — Alice, born ——, was never married, died in Easton, aged ninety; Jacob, born May 6, 1757; Bela, born Sept. 2, 1769. He removed, late in life, to Easton, where his children Abijah, Alice, and Bela resided; and died there, Oct. 11, 1806, at the age of eighty-six.

5. Abijah, son of Jacob and Mary Ford, born Aug. 14, 1744; married Sarah Bates, Oct. 29, 1768. Children, — Sarah, born April 25, 1770; Hannah, June 17, 1774; Abijah, June 5, 1777; Noah, June 22, 1780; Hannah, March 16, 1790. About the year 1790, he removed to Easton. He was afterwards deacon of the church of Rev. William Reed of Easton. He was a man of extraordinary biblical knowledge, an independent thinker, and an earnestly religious man. He died in Easton, June 16, 1816.

6. Sarah, daughter of Abijah and Sarah, married Lemuel Lothrop of Bridgewater.

6. Abijah, son of Abijah and Sarah, born Jan. 5, 1777; married Catherine, daughter of Isaac Lothrop of Easton. His children were — Abijah, who died young; Lydia, born Feb. 3, 1800, married Edmond Curtis, had children, and died July 1, 1859; Mary, born March 23, 1801, married Benjamin Buck; Sarah, born Dec. 7, 1804, married Edward W. Dean, and died July 23, 1829; Abijah, born March 14, 1813, died in Boston, Sept. 14, 1835.

6. Noah, son of Abijah and Sarah, born June 22, 1780; married Lucy Hayward, daughter of Joseph Hayward of Easton. Children, — Noah, born March 25, 1804; Susanna, March 22, 1806; Malvina, Aug. 26, 1807; Lucy, Jan. 24, 1809, married Ebenezer Drake of Stoughton; Rotheus, born July 26, 1811.

7. Noah, son of Noah and Lucy, born March 25, 1804; married Mary Shaw, Feb. 21, 1830. Children, — Lucy Catherine, born Sept. 23, 1831; Catherine Frances, June 13, 1834; James Austin and John Gurney, Oct. 6, 1841.

7. Rotheus, born July 26, 1811; married Miss Howard, and had a son Albert; and, for second wife, married Miss Lewis, and had a daughter Elizabeth Lewis.

6. Hannah, daughter of Abijah and Sarah, born March 16, 1790; married James Lothrop.

5. Jacob, son of Jacob and his second wife Alice, born May 6, 1757; married Sarah Noyes, Feb. 21, 1782. Children, — Polly, born Oct. 27, 1782; Sarah, April 12, 1784; Ellis, March 2, 1787; Lucretia, June 1, 1789; Jacob, June 30, 1791. He removed from Abington to Farmington, Me., and was a payer of taxes in that town in 1798; and afterwards removed to Springfield.

5. Bela, son of Jacob and Alice, born Sept. 2, 1769; married Mehetabel, daughter of Obabiah Reed, Aug. 20, 1795.

Children, — Mehetabel, born Sept. 1, 1797 ; Bela, born Oct. 3, 1800 ; Elbridge, Jan. 22, 1809, was married, died July 13, 1857 ; Lydia, born ——, was twice married, and has children.

6. Mehetabel, daughter of Bela and Mehetabel, born Sept. 1, 1797 ; married Galen Sylvester ; had children ; died Jan. 11, 1835.

6. Bela, son of Bela and Mehetabel, born Oct. 3, 1800 ; married Joanna Lane, Sept. 27, 1826. Children, — Jacob, and one daughter.

4. Elijah, son of Jacob and Sarah Hersey, born Feb. 14, 1728 ; married Sarah Reed, daughter of Obadiah, July 10, 1755. Children, — Hannah, born Aug. 22, 1756 ; Elijah, Sept. 20, 1758 ; Luke, April 28, 1763 ; Paul, Dec. 20, 1765 ; Joshua, July 25, 1768 ; Jacob, June 25, 1771.

5. Elijah, son of Elijah and Sarah Reed, born Sept. 20, 1758 ; the name of his wife unknown. Children, — Bezaleel, Sarah, Solomon, Parnel, Elijah, Alice. Sarah married Amos Keith ; Parnel married N. Edson ; Alice married John Tripp.

6. Bezaleel, son of Elijah, and grandson of Elijah and Sarah, married Ruth Edson. Children, — Bezaleel ; Paul.

6. Solomon, son of Elijah, married Delaney Shaw. Children, — Elijah, Reliance, Iantha.

6. Elijah, son of Elijah, married Jane Thomas. Children, — William T., Jane D., Henry W., Franklin, Nathaniel T., Alexander H.

7. William, son of Elijah and Jane, married Ann M. Watson. Children, — Alexander H. ; Ellen J.

7. Henry W., son of Elijah and Jane, married Emily Howard, Oct. 30, 1842. Children, — Isabella, Jane, Helen, W. Shirley.

7. Franklin, son of Elijah and Jane, married Harriet Richards. Child, — Franklin.

5. Jacob, son of Elijah and Sarah, born June 25, 1771; married Sarah. Children, — David, born Dec. 1, 1800, settled in Cummington; Cyrus, who lives in New-York City.

6. Cyrus, son of Jacob and Sarah, married Cynthia. Children, — James S., born Dec. 3, 1836; Cynthia L., Sept. 5, 1847; Cyrus H., June 27, 1844; Cynthia Henrietta, Sept. 5, 1847. Moved from Pembroke to New York.

5. Luke, son of Elijah, married Keziah Leonard. Children, — Matilda, who married Silas Hathaway; Luke; Keziah, married Jacob Perkins; Paul; Joshua; Jacob.

6. Luke, son of Luke, married Ann Leach. Children, — Adam, Julia Ann, Archelaus, Cyrus, Luke, Gustavus.

7. Adam, son of Luke and Ann, married Eliza Staples.

7. Julia Ann, daughter of Luke and Ann, married James E. Watson.

7. Archelaus, son of Luke and Ann, married Mary Ann Hilman.

7. Cyrus, son of Luke and Ann, married Nancy Clark.

5. Paul, son of Elijah and Sarah, born Dec. 20, 1765; married Mary Noyes. Children, — Adam; Paul A.

5. Joshua, son of Elijah and Sarah, born July 25, 1768; married Deborah Noyes, Feb. 7, 1788; settled in East Bridgewater. Children, — Deborah, born March 30, 1790; Joshua, July 25, 1792; Samuel P.; Silence, Oct. 19, 1796; Daniel Noyes, Aug. 13, 1799; John, Jan. 29, 1802; Mary F.

6. John, son of Joshua and Deborah, born Jan. 29, 1802; married Hannah G. Barrel, November, 1833. Children, — Deborah, born April 8, 1837; Hannah G., Sept. 1, 1839; John N., Sept. 8, 1842; Joshua, Feb. 3, 1848. He lives in East Bridgewater, and is a justice of the peace.

7. James S., son of Cyrus and Cynthia, born at Pembroke, Dec. 30, 1846; married Nancy B. Children, — Susan Aborn, born Feb. 4, 1855; James G.

7. Isaac, son of Isaac and Sally Pulling, born June 26, 1805; married Dec. 18, 1831. Children, — George A., born in 1832; Nancy A., 1836. His wife died in 1844. Married Sarah Porter in 1849. Children, — Isaac W., born in 1853; Asa C., 1857. Lives in East Bridgewater.

7. Nahum, son of Isaac and Sally, born Dec. 15, 1806; married Maria Witherell, Oct. 6, 1841. Children, — Frank Austin, born July 1, 1852; Clinton W., Sept. 4, 1842; Nahum S., May 6, 1845; Ezra A., Oct. 18, 1847, and died April 8, 1849. He resides in Boston.

8. Dexter, son of Isaac and Sally, born in 1809, and lives in East Bridgewater; married Lydia Wright in 1842. Children, — Samuel D., born in 1846; Franklin P., 1853; John B., 1856.

7. James, son of Isaac, born in 1815; married Eliza A. Keith in 1844, and lives in East Bridgewater. Children, — Lurana T., born in 1845; Sarah S., 1846; James Lewis, Jan. 5, 1851. His wife died in 1851. Married Mary A. Severance. Child, — Clarence D., born in 1857.

7. Calvin, son of Isaac, born in 1819; married Mary S. Bates in 1844. Children, — Mary F., born April 20, 1845; Benjamin C., Dec. 24, 1849. Lives in East Bridgewater, and is a justice of the peace.

7. Diantha, daughter of Isaac, born in 1821; married Tolman French from Maine, and lives in East Bridgewater. Children, — Bradford, born in 1844, died the same year; Isaac R., born in 1845; Eli B., 1847; George T., 1852.

3. John, second son of William and Esther, and grandson of William the emigrant, born July 10, 1687; married Sarah; and had John, born Aug. 10, 1713. After the death of his wife Sarah, he married Mary, and had children, — James, born Oct. 12, 1716; Mary, Dec. 21, 1719; Ezekiel, Nov. 14, 1721; Peter, March 29, 1723; Squire, May 25,

1725; Silence, Aug. 10, 1728; Betty, April 8, 1730; Samuel, July 13, 1732. The last two children died young.

4. John, son of John and Sarah, and grandson of William and Esther, born July 10, 1713; married Mary Torrey, June 20, 1734. Children, — Mary, born April 7, 1735; Hannah, May 16, 1738; Samuel, Nov. 10, 1740; Sarah, June 14, 1744; Frederick, July 28, 1746; William, May 9, 1748.

5. William, son of John and Mary Torrey, born May 9, 1748; married Elizabeth Stammers of Braintree, Sept. 3, 1768. Children, — Elizabeth; William, born Feb. 27, 1774; Mary, May 13, 1776; Sarah; Lydia; Ruth; Anna, Jan. 21, 1779. He lived at one time in Randolph; but his children (six of them) were born in Weymouth. He afterwards moved back to Braintree; where he died March 29, 1833. His wife died Oct. 12, 1821, aged seventy-seven.

6. William, son of William and Elizabeth of Braintree, born Feb. 27, 1774; married Relief Penniman of Braintree. Children, — William; Dorcas Elizabeth. He died Sept. 14, 1813.

7. William, son of William and Relief, married Susan. Children, — Susan, born Oct. 11, 1825; William, March 10, 1828; Clarissa, Sept. 11, 1829; William, Oct. 30, 1832.

8. William, son of William and Susan, married Hannah. Child, — Mary Ann.

4. Peter, son of John and Sarah, and grandson of William and Esther, born at Abington, March 29, 1723; married Lucy Huggins, March 25, 1748. Children, — Sarah, born at Abington, Aug. 26, 1757; Samuel, Nov. 30, 1760; Joanna, Sept. 8, 1763, married Nov. 27, 1788, at Cummington, to Jacob Nash.

4. James, son of John and Sarah, born Oct. 12, 1716; married Abigail Nash, May 10, 1739. Children, — Tabitha, born March 3, 1740, married Elisha Lincoln, Oct. 5, 1779;

Experience, born Oct. 23, 1741, married Josiah Joslin, Dec. 21, 1767 ; Solomon, born Oct. 25, 1743 ; Adam, Aug. 19, 1745 ; Stephen, July 5, 1748 ; Huldah, April 25, 1751 ; Molly, March 3, 1756 ; James, June 24, 1758 ; Abel, April 15, 1754.

5. Solomon, son of James and Abigail, born Oct. 25, 1743 ; married Mercy Tirrel, Sept. 28, 1765. Child, — Molly, born Nov. 22, 1766.

5. Adam, son of James and Abigail, born Aug. 17, 1745 ; married Silence Reed, July 14, 1768. Child, — Adam.

6. Adam, son of Adam, married Mary Porter, Feb. 25, 1819. Child, — Mary Porter, born Sept. 16, 1823.

6. James, son of James and Abigail, born June 24, 1758 ; married Ruth Niles, May 19, 1779. Children, — Abel, born Sept. 5, 1780 ; Susanna, Feb. 18, 1782 ; Ruth Porter, Dec. 14, 1783 ; Goddard, who lives in Randolph.

Abel, son of James and Ruth, born Sept. 5, 1780 ; married Lydia Loud of Plymouth. Children, — William Cole, who lives in Roxbury ; James Ward, lives in Roxbury ; Eliza ; Lydia ; Charles Thayer. He lived in Boston, and died in 1817.

Charles T., son of Abel and Lydia, married, in Boston, Sophia E. Critston of Nashua, Feb. 3, 1828. He lives in Boston.

4. Ezekiel, son of John and Sarah, born Nov. 14, 1721 ; married Hannah Beal in 1742. Children, — Ezekiel, born March 3, 1744 ; Hannah, Nov. 1, 1746 ; Squire, Nov. 1, 1748 ; Mary, Jan. 1, 1751 ; Zebulon, March 31, 1752 ; Mary, Nov. 20, 1754, married Simeon Gannet in 1775 ; Samuel, born Dec. 25, 1756 ; Issachar, Aug. 9, 1759 ; Deborah, Dec. 6, 1762, married J. Gurney, Dec. 18, 1783.

5. Ezekiel, son of Ezekiel and Hannah, born in Abington, March 3, 1744 ; married Mary Rogers of Marshfield, April 2, 1768. Children, — Polly, born in 1769 ; Zelotes, 1771 ;

Ezekiel, Sept. 16, 1772; Zebulon, 1774; Hannah, 1776; Olive, 1777; Jesse, 1778; Charles; Abraham; Briggs Rogers, May 2, 1784. The following, from Hayward's "Gazetteer of Massachusetts," will do justice to the memory of Mr. Ezekiel Reed better than I can by any effort of my own: —

"The making of tacks by hand commenced very early in Abington. The first attempt was to cut up old iron hoops into points by a very imperfect kind of shears, and take them up one by one and place them in a common vice, and screw up and unscrew for the purpose of heading each tack with a hammer. From this process they were called cut tacks: but the mode of making by hand was much improved by movable dies placed in an iron frame, in the shape of an ox-bow; the two ends, in which were placed the dies, being brought together by a lever pressed by the foot. In the first process, a man might make one thousand tacks per day; in the latter, eight thousand. This was a great improvement; and the inventor, Mr. Ezekiel Reed, was entitled to a patent. He made some attempts to conceal the operation; but it was so simple, and so easily applied, that others soon got it, and it came into general use. With machines, or tack-tools as they were called, thus improved, from three to four hundred men and boys were employed in making tacks in the town of Abington and vicinity."

6. Ezekiel, son of Ezekiel and Mary, born Sept. 16, 1772; married Rebecca Edson in 1794, and settled in West Bridgewater. Married Hannah Littlefield in 1807. Children, — Emma, born Aug. 17, 1795, married Jacob Tirrel in 1813; Lydia B., born May 30, 1797; Josiah, March 2, 1799; Edwin B., Jan. 20, 1804; Charles B., May 21, 1806, died May 3, 1836. His wife died Jan. 23, 1845; and he married Polly Luddens, Dec. 10, 1845.

7. Josiah, son of Ezekiel, born at West Bridgewater, March 2, 1799; married Jennet Heath. Child, — Ann, born Sept. 10, 1848.

7. Edwin B., son of Ezekiel, born Jan. 20, 1804; married Furosina Glass of Duxbury, and they live in Kingston. Children, — Edwin Theodore, born Sept. 26, 1823; Alphonso,

November, 1830; Helen, April 30, 1837: all born in West Bridgewater.

7. Charles B., son of Ezekiel, born May 21, 1806; married Eunice B. Harden. Children, — Susan Frances, born June 13, 1832, married Simeon C. Heath, May 7, 1851; Emily Briggs, born Dec. 17, 1833; Eunice Edson, Jan. 3, 1836. His wife died Oct. 22, 1855, aged fifty.

7. Horatio G., son of Col. Jesse, married Wealthy. Children, — Horatio G. H., born in Marshfield, April 12, 1828; Maria W., Feb. 25, 1833, born in Scituate, and married Henry L. Vinal; Ellen L., born June 15, 1839, in Marshfield; Mary Forbes, born in Marshfield, Jan. 5, 1841. He lives in Scituate.

8. Horatio G., son of Horatio G., born April 12, 1828; married Esther M. Cole, April 2, 1850.

6. Briggs Rogers, son of Ezekiel and Mary, born May 2, 1784; married Betsey Hutchinson of Danvers, May 21, 1809. Children, — Mary Ann, born in Boston, Jan. 1, 1810; Elizabeth, born in Weymouth, Dec. 17, 1811, married Richard Phillips, Esq., of Topsfield; Susan Jane, born in Pembroke, May 11, 1814; William Briggs, born in Danvers, Dec. 15, 1816; Edward Rogers, March 14, 1819; Augustus, April 13, 1821; George W., Aug. 5, 1823, of the firm of Reed and Hastings, No. 9, Old State House; John, Aug. 13, 1825; James Hervey, Jan. 28, 1828, is a teacher in St. Louis; Joseph Warren, May 7, 1830, died by the explosion of the boiler on board the "Empire State," at Fall River, July 27, 1856 (he was a Baptist clergyman, very pious and devoted; and his sudden and awful death spread a gloom over the Christian community, wherever his devotion and zeal had been known); Cornelia H., Aug. 28, 1832. He died in Danvers, Sept. 28, 1835: his wife died March 31, 1850.

7. Mary Ann, daughter of Briggs and Elizabeth, married William E. Kimball of Topsfield. Children, — Ann Maria,

Feb. 11, 1829; Mary Jane, Jan. 31, 1833; Elizabeth R., June 8, 1834; William, Sept. 5, 1837; Ellen, March 20, 1840.

7. Susan Jane, daughter of Briggs and Elizabeth, married William Alley. Children, — Susan Jane, William Edward, George Hervey. Lives in Marlborough.

7. Elizabeth, daughter of Briggs and Betsey, born in Weymouth, Dec. 17, 1811; married Richard Phillips, Esq., of Topsfield. Children, — Harriet E., born Jan. 26, 1832, died June 2, 1842; George Frelinghuysen, born July 17, 1834; Susan Jane, Aug. 15, 1841, died July, 1850; Charles Albert, born April 26, 1851. Two children died in infancy.

7. William Briggs, son of Briggs and Betsey, born in Danvers, Dec. 15, 1816; married Eliza Howard of Salem; keeps at No. 134, Lincoln Street, Boston. Children, — William H., born April 9, 1846; Benjamin C., Aug. 10, 1850; Isabel H., June 20, 1857. Lives at No. 4, Winthrop Street, East Boston.

7. Augustus, son of Briggs and Betsey, born April 13, 1821; married Laura Ann Leach of Boston. Children, — Ann Eliza, Emma Cornelia, Warren Augustus, Alice Jane. Does business in East Boston, corner of Meriden and Paris Street.

7. George W., son of Briggs and Betsey, born Aug. 5, 1823; married Ellen Howard of Salem, Oct. 20, 1852: she died May 6, 1855. Married Hannah Elizabeth Maston of Salem, for second wife, Oct. 29, 1857. He is of the firm of Reed and Hastings, Old State House. Children, — George Hervey, born Sept. 7, 1853; Anna Josephine, Sept. 27, 1858.

6. Samuel Licander, son of Ezekiel and Mary, born in Bridgewater, July 24, 1786; married Nancy Gray of Watertown, Mass., Feb. 27, 1817, and settled in Gardiner, Me.;

where he carried on the nail manufactory of that place. Children, — Samuel Licander, born Oct. 24, 1817; Harriet Newell, Aug. 19, 1821, died Aug. 28, 1822; Thomas Rogers, born May 1, 1819; Alonzo, Jan. 20, 1824; Jesse, Feb. 8, 1826; George William, April 24, 1831.

7. Samuel, son of Samuel L. and Nancy, born Oct. 24, 1817, and his brother Alonzo, born Jan. 20, 1824, live at Mount Auburn, and follow the business of blacksmiths.

7. Thomas R., son of Samuel and Nancy, born May 1, 1819; lives in Gardner, Me., and is in the ship plug and wedge manufactory.

7. Jesse, son of Samuel L. and Nancy, born Feb. 8, 1826; lives in Gardiner, Me., and is by trade a house-carpenter.

7. George William, son of Samuel L. and Nancy, born April 24, 1831; married Hannah Augusta, daughter of Dr. Currier of Bath, Me. He lives in Bath, and is by occupation a dentist.

4. Peter, son of John and Sarah, born March 29, 1723; married Lucy Haynes, March 25, 1748. Children, — Sarah, born Aug. 26, 1757; Samuel, Nov. 30, 1760; Joanna, Sept. 8, 1768.

7. Alonzo, son of Samuel L. and Nancy of Gardiner, Me., born Jan. 20, 1824; married in Watertown, Mass., to Adeline White, Aug. 9, 1852.

3. Simeon, son of William and Esther, had John S., who married Lucy Lucas, July 23, 1747. Children, — Zadock, born Sept. 1, 1749; Rhoda, Feb. 21, 1751; Simeon, May 6, 1753; Sarah, June 16, 1758; John, May 22, 1760; Molly, Sept. 5, 1762; Levi, Feb. 12, 1765; Oliver, Jan. 8, 1768. He removed to Pembroke before 1762.

5. Zadock, son of John S. and Mary, born Sept. 1, 1749; married Lucy Gardner, Sept. 16, 1770, and settled in

Bridgewater. Children, — Olive, born June 2, 1773, married Samuel P. French in 1801 ; Miriam, born July 12, 1775 ; Rachel, Feb. 19, 1777, died in 1782 ; Bela, born Oct. 20, 1776 ; Rhoda, Feb. 12, 1781 ; Simeon, Feb. 5, 1779, died July 12, 1781 ; Obed, born Feb. 20, 1783 ; Luther, Dec. 17, 1798 ; Anna, Aug. 17, 1785 ; Lucy, May 29, 1793 ; Polly, March 30, 1795. He died in Hanson, Jan. 17, 1822.

6. Bela, son of Zadock and Lucy, born Oct. 20, 1771 ; married Polly Beals in 1793. She died in 1795, aged twenty-five years. Married Sally Thomas, March 7, 1798. Children, — Daniel, born Sept. 30, 1798 ; Wealthy, June 30, 1800 ; Polly, March 2, 1804 ; Bela, Oct. 6, 1806 ; Sally, May 2, 1809. He afterwards moved to Pembroke. He died Aug. 4, 1848.

6. Simeon, son of Zadock and Lucy, born Feb. 5, 1779 ; married Ruth, and settled in Pembroke. Children, — Sophia, born June 28, 1802 ; Isaac T., Oct. 10, 1804 ; Simeon, Aug. 3, 1810 ; Deborah, May 26, 1822 ; Calvin, May 26, 1824 ; Adeline, March 30, 1827 ; Joseph. He died in Pembroke, Aug. 7, 1847.

7. Bela, son of Bela and Sally of Pembroke, born Oct. 6, 1806 ; married Eunice. Children, — Lucius, born March 26, 1830 ; Charles, Oct. 8, 1832 ; Marcus M., March 13, 1836 ; Adeline, July 4, 1842.

7. Isaac, son of Simeon and Ruth of Pembroke, born Oct. 10, 1804 ; married Sarah A. Children, — John D., born Oct. 18, 1844 ; Mary Eliza, May 3, 1850 ; Ann Maria, Jan. 14, 1853.

7. Simeon, son of Simeon and Ruth, born Aug. 3, 1810 ; married Prudence Ford. Child, — William, born April 25, 1846 ; died Sept. 28, 1854.

8. Lucius, son of Bela and Eunice of Pembroke, born March 20, 1830 ; married Louisa Bryant, Sept. 25, 1851.

Children, — Austin G., born July 12, 1852; Waldo P., Aug. 4, 1853; Wilbur E., April 29, 1855.

7. Calvin, son of Simeon and Ruth of Pembroke, born May 26, 1824; married Deborah Brown of Hanson, July 4, 1853. Children, — Emily Jane, born July 21, 1854; Sophronia, Oct. 28, 1855.

7. Joseph, son of Simeon and Ruth of Pembroke, married Maria W. Pierce, March 17, 1849. Child, — Benjamin Herbert, born July 30, 1850.

8. Marcus M., son of Bela and Eunice of Pembroke, born March 13, 1836.

6. Luther, son of Zadock and Lucy, born Dec. 17, 1798; married Deborah Briant. Children, — Calvin T., born in Pembroke, May 26, 1824; Deborah B., May 26, 1822, married James Brown, May 6, 1854; Adeline, born March 30, 1826. His wife died in Pembroke, Oct. 29, 1848, in her fifty-seventh year.

7. Calvin T., son of Luther, married Deborah Bourne, July 4, 1853.

7. Isaac T., son of Simeon and Ruth of Pembroke, born Oct. 10, 1804; married Sarah. Children, — Isaac, who married Peddy W. Howe, Nov. 26, 1851; Ichabod M., who married Emily J. Howe of Abington, July 24, 1853.

9. Ichabod, son of Isaac and Peddy of Pembroke. Child, — Albert, born April 16, 1856.

5. Levi, son of John and Lucy, born at Pembroke, Feb. 14, 1765; married Lucy Doten of Plymouth, Mass., in 1799, and settled in Marlborough. Children, — Thomas, born April 7, 1800; Chandler, June 3, 1802; Levi, April 26, 1805; James D., April 21, 1811; Rebecca, May, 1808; Harriet. He died March 7, 1845.

Levi, son of Levi and Lucy, born April 26, 1805, in Middleborough; married Harriet Drake of Auburn, Me., April 11, 1846. Children, — Levi Edward, born at Middle-

borough, July 28, 1849; Daniel D., July 7, 1856; Diana M., June 14, 1858.

Rebecca, daughter of Levi and Lucy, born May, 1808; married John B. Paine, May 18, 1833, and settled in Taunton. They have eight children.

James D., son of Levi and Lucy, born April 21, 1811; married Pamelia Butler, Nov. 20, 1838. Children, — Julia, born Oct. 21, 1841; Pamelia F., Sept. 8, 1843; James Chandler, May 22, 1845; Harriet E., May 11, 1849; Caroline, Oct. 18, 1853. His wife died June 2, 1854. Married, for second wife, Sarah Morrell of Canaan, Vt., March 12, 1855. Children, — William M., born Jan. 27, 1856; Thomas D., Aug. 13, 1857.

Julia H., daughter of Levi and Lucy, born April 8, 1818; married Willard Shaw, Aug. 12, 1849, and settled in Carver. They have four children.

2. John, son of William, 1st, of Weymouth, born in 1649; married Bashna. Child, — John, born June 5, 1674. Married Bethiah Frye for second wife. Children, — William, Thomas, George, Mary, Ruth, Hannah. He died at Dighton, Jan. 13, 1720: his wife died Oct. 20, 1730. He was a house-carpenter, and appears to have been a man of considerable property, and an extensive dealer in land. The records describe about a dozen pieces of land bought by him in Taunton, and several parcels sold by him. He was quite a business-man in Taunton, but removed from there to Dighton. He and his wife were buried in Dighton, on Burying Hill, between Upper and Lower Four Corners. Their gravestones are in very good condition, and their inscriptions read thus: "Here lieth ye body of Bethiah, wife of John Read: died October ye 20, 1730, aged seventy-seven years. — Here lieth ye body of John Reed, aged seventy-two years; and died January ye 13th, 1720–1."

His estate was valued at a hundred and sixty-two pounds at his decease. He was the ancestor of the Taunton Reeds.

3. John, son of John and Bashna, born at Weymouth, June 5, 1674; married Bethiah Cobb, June 15, 1697. Children, — Mary, who married a Tiffany; John, born August, 1701; George, May, 1704; William, Feb. 28, 1712, and Bethiah (twins); Bethiah married a Watson. He removed to Swansey, and bought a tract of land known as Pompanumset, or Phebe's Neck. He died in 1739. The tract of land bought by him is supposed to be located in what is now Barrington.

4. George, son of John and Bethiah Cobb, born May, 1704. Child, — John.

5. John, son of George. Child, — William.

4. William, son of John and Bethiah Cobb, born Feb. 28, 1712; married Elizabeth. Children, — Bethiah, born at Barrington, Sept. 12, 1741; Jonathan, who lived near Shepherd's Factory, in Newport, R.I.

3. Hannah, daughter of John and Bethiah, married Josiah Talbot of Dighton, Sept. 2, 1713. Children, — Mary, born March 22, 1725; Josiah, Oct. 23, 1726; Ruth, May 2, 1729. She died June 4, 1731. Her gravestone is broken, and lies on the ground near the graves of her father and mother; and the inscription runs thus: "In memory of Hannah, wife of Josiah Talbot, Esq. Died June 4, 1731, in the fortieth year of her age."

3. Mary, daughter of John and Bethiah of Dighton, married Joseph Atwood. Children, — Joseph, born August, 1704; Benjamin, March 17, 1707, died Feb. 14, 1713; Esther, born Feb. 19, 1711; John, Feb. 7, 1713, died May 21, 1749; Benjamin, born July 3, 1715, died July 28, 1753; Mary, born March 16, 1719. He died Sept. 26, 1724: she died April 23, 1748, aged sixty-six years, seven months, eight days.

3. Ruth, daughter of John and Bethiah, married Capt. Joseph Tisdale of Dighton. Children, — Joseph, Loved, Job, Seth, Ebenezer, Simeon, Hannah, Bethiah, Mary. He died before 1748. She made her will, in which she mentions her cousins Elkanah Read, Ruth Read, and Elizabeth Hodges. She died August, 1848, in her sixty-third year.

4. John, son of John and Bethiah of Taunton, afterwards of Swansey and Barrington, born August, 1701; married Lydia Caswell, Oct. 7, 1713.

4. Bethiah, daughter of John and Bethiah of Barrington, born Feb. 28, 1712; married Nathan Watson in 1732. Children, — Abigail, born Jan. 13, 1733; Molly, March 5, 1734; Rachel, July 14, 1736; Mercy, March 30, 1738; Bethiah, Oct. 12, 1739; Matthew, April 4, 1741; Lydia, Dec. 17, 1742; William, Jan. 25, 1744; John, Oct. 5, 1746. His wife died Feb. 9, 1778, in her sixty-sixth year. Married Sarah for second wife: she died Sept. 3, 1798, aged eighty-eight years. Mr. Watson was a Scotchman, and emigrated to this country from Ireland. Her father opposed the match, because he said that he was a poor Irishman; but he left an estate valued at eighty thousand dollars. He died at Barrington, Jan. 17, 1803, aged a hundred and seven years.

3. George, son of John and Bethiah, married Sarah Whitmarsh. Children, — George, born in Dighton, Aug. 31, 1718, died May 6, 1727; Avise, born Sept. 5, 1720, married John Palmer, Jan. 27, 1736; Hannah, born May 21, 1722, married Reuben Clemens in 1743; John, born March 30, 1724; Samuel, Nov. 29, 1725; Ruth, Nov. 3, 1727, married Joshua Williams, James Macomber, and Ebenezer Myrick; Rebecca, born July 16, 1729, married John Coleman in 1752; Sylvester French. Sarah, his wife, died; and he married Abigail Woodward, Jan. 1, 1730. Children, — Isaiah, born at Rehoboth, Oct. 14, 1730; George, Dec. 29, 1731;

Sarah, born at Dighton, Dec. 6, 1734, died young; Sarah, born Jan. 22, 1739, married John Gilmore; Loved, born Feb. 26, 1741; Mary, Feb. 3, 1744, died May 18, 1745; Jonathan, born Oct. 13, 1745; Bethiah, who married John Jacob. He died in Rehoboth, Feb. 8, 1756.

4. John, son of George and Sarah, born March 30, 1724; married Miriam Talbot, May 11, 1749. She died Dec. 11, 1749; and her gravestone is still standing. Married, for second wife, Mary Perry, March 27, 1752. Children, — Miriam, born June 6, 1753; Mary, July 1, 1755, died July 28, 1756; John, born April 28, 1757; William, March 7, 1761; Sarah, March 13, 1759; Celia, March 25, 1766; Ruth, April 10, 1768; Nancy, July 1, 1770; Juan, Feb. 25, 1772; Sebra, July 1, 1774; George, Jan. 12, 1776.

4. Samuel, son of George and Sarah of Dighton, born Nov. 29, 1725; married Rachel Williams in 1748. Children, — Rachel, born Jan. 28, 1752, died March 30, 1756; Samuel, born Dec. 23, 1754; Mary, Jan. 4, 1757; Rachel, April 20, 1762; Seth, May 14, 1765.

4. George, son of George and Abigail, born Dec. 29, 1731; married Mercy Phillips, and died in 1758; had a son George, born July 29, 1757, who was living in 1841 on the road from Dighton to New Bedford, about four miles from the Green, aged eighty-three years. He married Elizabeth Pitts of Taunton, May 7, 1782. Children, — Caleb P., born Feb. 22, 1790; William, July 16, 1791; George W., May 19, 1796. He lived in Berkeley at the time of their marriage.

3. Thomas, son of John and Sarah of Dighton, married Sarah Tisdale of Taunton. Children, — Seth, born Feb. 6, 1716; Thomas, Aug. 20, 1718; Joseph, November, 1725; Lot, Nov. 6, 1726; Sarah, Nov. 26, 1727, married George Goodwin in 1746; Phebe, born Aug. 20, 1729; Elkanah, Oct. 8, 1730; Job, March 13, 1731; Simeon, April 17, 1733;

a daughter, May, 1835; Ruth, who married Joseph Talbot, June 6, 1742; Mercy, who married Elijah Bacon of Providence, December, 1780. He died Feb. 19, 1741.

4. Thomas, son of Thomas of Dighton, born Aug. 20, 1718; married Rebecca Talbot in 1746. Children, — Rebecca, born Nov. 1, 1747; Thomas, Oct. 7, 1749; Sarah, June 3, 1751.

4. Joseph, son of Thomas and Sarah of Dighton, born November, 1725; married Elizabeth Eliott, Oct. 31, 1747.

4. Seth, son of Thomas and Sarah of Dighton, born Feb. 6, 1717; married Peddy Pool. Child, — a daughter, born April 28, 1748.

4. Job, son of Thomas and Sarah of Dighton, born March 13, 1731; married Jemima Talbot, Feb. 17, 1750, and moved to Brookfield, Vt. Child, — Job.

5. Job, son of Job and Jemima, had Job, Sarah, Rhoda, Polly, Sally, Morton, Betsy, Clarissa, Roxanna, Rebecca, Fanny, Elvira.

6. Job, son of Job, had Freeman, Lavina, Isaac, Rhoda, Russell, Caroline, and others, whose names are not given. He was in the Revolutionary War. He died in Williamstown, Vt.

6. Morton, son of Job, married Lucy Whitney, Jan. 24, 1817. Children, — Samuel, born in 1819; Julia, 1821; Sally, 1823; Betsy, 1824; Elijah, 1826, died young; George, born in 1827; Mary Ann, 1828; Maria Perrin.

7. Julia, daughter of Morton and Lucy, married Jeduthan Rice.

7. Sally, daughter of Morton and Lucy, married Andrew Kinney. Children, — John, Juliette, Levi.

7. Mary Ann, daughter of Morton and Lucy, married Calvin Fuller.

6. Rhoda, daughter of Job, married Richard Hodges. Children, — Louisa and Cynthia.

6. Polly, daughter of Job, married James Hopkins. Children, — Denison, Marshal, Melissa, Laura, James, Delsina.

6. Sally, daughter of Job, married Samuel Perrin. Children, — Elvira, Louisa, William, Cornelius, Talcutt, Edward, Calvin, and Clark.

6. Betsy, daughter of Job, married Philetus Robinson. Children, — Fanny, Sally, Nathaniel, Cornelius, Perley, Lucy, Parker.

6. Clarissa, married Russell Seaver. Children, — twelve, names not given.

6. Roxanna, married Ebenezer H. Moyne. Eleven children, names not given.

6. Rebecca, married Lyman Davenport. Children, — William; John; Harriet; Fanny; Elvira, who died young.

4. Simeon, son of Thomas and Sarah of Dighton, born April 17, 1733; married Deborah. Children, — Phebe, born Feb. 25, 1757, married Jonathan Wilkins, May, 1777; Hannah, born Jan. 30, 1758; Simeon, July 28, 1763. He was deacon of the church, and died in 1804, July 4: his wife died July 7, — three days after.

3. Hannah, daughter of Job, 1st, of Dighton, married Josiah Talbot of Dighton, Sept. 2, 1713. Children, — Mary, born March 22, 1725; Josiah, Oct. 23, 1726; Ruth, May 2, 1729. She died June 4, 1731, and was buried near her father and mother. Her gravestone is broken, and lies flat on the ground. The inscription runs thus: "In memory of Hannah, wife of Josiah Talbot, Esq. Died June 4, 1731, in the fortieth year of her age."

3. Mary, daughter of John, 1st, and Sarah, of Dighton, married Joseph Atwood. Children, — Joseph, born August, 1704; Benjamin, March 17, 1707, died February, 1713; Esther, born Feb. 19, 1710; John, Feb. 7, 1712, died May 21, 1749; Benjamin, born July 3, 1715, died July 28, 1758;

Mary, born March 6, 1718. He died Sept. 6, 1724: she died April 23, 1748.

3. Ruth, daughter of John, 1st, of Taunton and Dighton, born in 1681; married Capt. Joseph Tisdale of Taunton. Children, — Joseph, Loved, Job, Seth, Ebenezer, Simeon, Hannah Perry, Bethiah Walker, Mary. He died before 1748: she died August, 1743, in her sixty-third year.

3. William, son of John, 1st, of Taunton, married Mary Richmond, June 8, 1721. Children, — John, born in 1722; William; Mary; Abigail. He was a pious man. At one time in his life, he became insane, and had to be confined in his house; but afterwards obtained his reason at the age of seventy years, and died in 1734. The homestead is owned and occupied by one of his descendants at the present time. His widow married Stephen Andrews, Nov. 6, 1738, — a man of learning and piety, known by his neighbors as St. Stephen, — who lived to the age of a hundred years.

4. William, son of William and Mary of Taunton, married ——; moved to Rochester about 1744. Children, — William, Abigail, Margaret, Lydia. He died previous to 1780.

4. Mary, daughter of William and Mary, married John Haskell of Rochester, Mass., in 1751. Children, — Jonathan, a captain in the Revolutionary War, who afterwards went to Ohio; Abigail, who married a Tripp, and went to New York; Bethiah, who married John Clarke; and one married Nathaniel Sherman, and went to New York; Polly, who died single.

4. John, son of William and Mary of Taunton, married Dorothy Pinnea, a French woman, Dec. 30, 1746. Children, — Ruth, born Nov. 20, 1747, married Job Knap; Lois, who married David Drake; John, born March 29, 1752, married Mary Godfrey; Mary, born June 4, 1754, married Richard Cobb; Dorothy, born in 1759, married Paul Dudley; Hannah, born April 21, 1762, married Abia-

thar Hall ; Zilpah, born Dec. 1, 1763, married Gershom Sullivan ; Enos, born Nov. 22, 1765, died in Boston of small-pox ; Dydin, born May 30, 1768, married Ebenezer Deane. His first wife died in 1770. Married, for second wife, Mrs. Hannah Austin, Jan. 9, 1771. Children, — Nathan, born Oct. 8, 1771 ; Phebe, July 16, 1773, married a Basset of Norton ; David, born Oct. 11, 1775 ; Jonathan, twin of David. He died December, 1788, aged sixty-six. He was a blacksmith by trade, and a man of considerable business ; was one of the Committee of Inspection and Correspondence in the Revolution ; and was also a pious man. He was above the middle stature, and rather stern in his manners. His first wife was the daughter of James Pinnea, a French Huguenot, who had escaped from France during the persecutions of that pious and devoted band ; and, after having been secreted in dens and caves in France, he finally made his way to America, settled in Lebanon, Conn., and brought up a family of children ; one of whom was Dorothy, the wife of John Read. The Rev. Bazaliel Pinnea of Milford, Conn., is his great-grandson.

5. Ruth, daughter of John and Dorothy, born Nov. 20, 1747 ; married Capt. Joseph Knapp of Taunton, and moved to Douglas, Mass. Children, — Job ; Cyrus ; Rufus ; Ruth ; Sally ; Dolly, who married Otis Preston (her husband dying, she married Esquire Whitney, and moved to Uxbridge) ; a daughter Abigail, who married a Walker.

5. Lois, daughter of John and Dorothy of Taunton, married Daniel Drake, Oct. 4, 1764, and moved to Grafton, N.H. Children, — Daniel, who married Lydia Aldrich ; James, married Abigail Bullock ; John, married Betsy Cogswell ; Lois, married Daniel Cobb of Connecticut ; Rhoda, married Eli Haskins of Taunton ; Sibyl, married Benjamin Bullock ; Betsy, married Baruch Smith ; Dolly, married Jonathan Aldrich, and Mr. Dustin of Hill, N.H. ; Sally, married William Chellis ; Bethiah, married Samuel Wright.

5. Mary, daughter of John and Dorothy of Taunton, born June 14, 1754; married Richard Cobb of Putney, Vt., in 1776. Children, — David, born March 27, 1778; Richard, March 23, 1780; Mary, April 5, 1782; Tabitha, Sept. 24, 1790; Willard, July 11, 1793; Alfreda, Sept. 18, 1798. She died Aug. 9, 1822: Mr. Cobb died March, 1830.

6. David, son of Richard Cobb and Mary Reed, born March 27, 1778; married Sally White, January, 1808. Children, — Josiah, born April 21, 1809; David R., May 31, 1810; Amelia, Nov. 22, 1812; David Cobb, died in Putney, May 27, 1818.

6. Josiah Cobb, son of David, born April 21, 1809; married Candice Pierce in 1833, and lives in Putney. Child, — Fanny A., born January, 1834.

6. David, son of David and Sally, born May 31, 1810; married Lucinda R. Crosby in 1834. She died; and he married Abigail Brow, February, 1840. Lives in Putney.

6. Amelia Cobb, daughter of David, born Nov. 22, 1812; married John M. Crosby, January, 1834. Child, — David, born June, 1835; died in 1839. Lives in Putney.

5. Richard Cobb, son of Richard and Mary Reed, born March 23, 1780, and settled in Rockingham, Vt.; married Nancy Gilman, May 10, 1811. Children, — Nancy, born Dec. 23, 1815; Eliza, Jan. 5, 1817; Mary R., June 29, 1819; Richard R., Jan. 19, 1822; David R., Jan. 2, 1824; Susan E., Aug. 16, 1825; Helen M., Feb. 12, 1830; Myron J., Jan. 1, 1833. He died July 17, 1837.

6. Nancy, daughter of Richard Cobb, born Dec. 23, 1815; married J. T. Woods of Rockingham, Vt., Sept. 4, 1837. Child, — Maria E., born March 29, 1838. He died in 1845.

5. Mary Cobb, daughter of Richard and Mary Reed, born April 5, 1782; married Jotham Pierce, March, 1804, and lives in Montreal, Ca. Children, — Mary C., Charles S., Harriet. She died January, 1832.

6. Mary C. Pierce, daughter of Jotham Pierce, married a Johnson in 1832. Children's names not given. He died in 1839.

5. Tabitha Cobb, daughter of Richard and Mary Reed, born Sept. 24, 1790; married Alfred White, Sept. 27, 1812, and lives in Putney. Children, — Willard, born September, 1815; Stella A., March, 1818; Charles, May, 1820; Fanny M., April, 1822; Thomas, August, 1825; David J., June, 1831; Rawson M., September, 1833; two more, whose names are not given.

6. Willard White, son of Alfred, married Alice Townsend, February, 1837, and lives in Boston.

5. Willard Cobb, son of Richard Cobb, born July 11, 1793; married Dorinda Snow, March, 1821; lives in Rockingham, Vt. Children, — Edmond M., born November, 1821; Mary J., December, 1822; Frances W., March, 1825; Ellen, October, 1828; Louisa B., May, 1830; Henry W., November, 1838; Sarah E., February, 1840.

5. Dorothy, daughter of John and Dorothy of Taunton, born March 1, 1759; married Paul Dudley of Douglass, July 16, 1782. Children, — David, John, William, Willard, Dolly, Harriet. She died Sept. 20, 1847.

6. David, son of Paul and Dorothy Reed. Children, — George, Maria, Eliza, David.

7. George, son of Paul and Dorothy, married Susan Robbins.

7. Maria Dudley, married a Carpenter.

6. John, son of Paul and Dorothy, married Submit Hall. Children, — Emily; James, who married Eliza Prentice.

6. William Dudley, son of Paul and Dorothy, married Hannah Creigen. Children, — Mary; William; Sophrona; Charles; Harriet, who married Josiah Adams; George; Edwin.

6. Willard Dudley, son of Paul and Dorothy, married Eunice Dalcom. Children, — Paul, Edwin, Dorothy, Frances, Betsy.

6. Dolly, daughter of Paul and Dorothy, married Benjamin Hill. Children, — Dolly, Benjamin, Emeline, Frances, Eliza Ann.

6. Harriet, daughter of Paul and Dorothy, married Josiah Adams. Child, — Augustus.

5. Hannah, daughter of John and Dorothy of Taunton, born April 11, 1761; married Abiatha Hall of Raynham, May 24, 1787. Children, — Polly, born July 27, 1788; Hannah, May 18, 1790; Dolly, March 28, 1792; Deborah, Dec. 6, 1794; Abiatha, Aug. 17, 1797. He died in 1797, and she married Stephen Deane of Raynham in 1807.

5. Zilpah, daughter of John and Dorothy of Taunton, born Dec. 1, 1763; married Gershom Gulliver of Taunton, March 8, 1803, and had no children. He died December, 1839: she died March 7, 1841.

5. Enos, son of John and Dorothy, born Nov. 22, 1715. He lived in Boston, and died of small-pox.

5. Jonathan, son of John and Dorothy, born Oct. 11, 1775; was never married. He died Jan. 30, 1849.

5. Lydia, daughter of John and Dorothy, born May 20, 1768; married Ebenezer Deane of Raynham, March 6, 1791. Children, — Lydia, Enos, Alfred, Ebenezer, Calvin, Camilla, Ruth, Louisa.

5. Nathan, son of John and his second wife Hannah, born Oct. 8, 1771; married Acsah Gilmore of Raynham, Dec. 13, 1796, and moved to Maine. Children, — Sylvanus; John Gilmore; Florentius, born in 1801 or '2. He died about 1809; and his wife had, in all, three husbands. She was living recently in Norridgewock, Me., at a very great age. Second husband was Seth Wyman of Bloomington, Me., and had children, — Nathan and Ebenezer, who live in

Dexter, Me. She married Solomon Bixby of Norridgewock for third husband. She died August, 1851.

5. Phebe, daughter of John of Taunton and his second wife Hannah, born July 16, 1773; married Basset Morton, and settled in Avon, Me. Children, — Elkanah, Phebe, Hannah, Rebecca. He died Oct. 19, 1847, in his sixty-ninth year.

6. Florentius, son of Nathan and Acsah. Children, — John, born in 1830; Josiah; Nathan; David; and one daughter. He lives in Windsor, Me.

7. John, son of Florentius, has a wife and daughter, and is of the firm of Reed and Russ in China, Me.

6. John, son of Nathan and Acsah, settled in North Yarmouth, and died at the age of about thirty-five years, leaving a widow, one son, and a daughter.

5. David, son of John of Taunton and his second wife Hannah, born Oct. 11, 1775; married Phebe Blake, May 25, 1802. Children, — Gilbert B., born Sept. 30, 1804, died Feb. 2, 1828; Phebe H., born April 3, 1808, married Floyd French of Taunton; Mary Adaline, born September, 1811; Hannah E., Jan. 29, 1823. He died June 24, 1850.

5. John, son of John of Taunton and his wife Dorothy, born March 29, 1752; married Mary Godfrey, Nov. 21, 1775. Children, — John, born Aug. 11, 1776; William, Oct. 6, 1778; Polly, Aug. 31, 1782, died Nov. 2, 1796; Dolly, born May 31, 1785; Marshal, Jan. 17, 1788; Hodges, June 3, 1790; Sophia, Sept. 2, 1792; Zilpah, Dec. 22, 1796, died May 24, 1798. He died Feb. 24, 1841, aged eighty-eight years. He was above the middle stature, athletic, and uncommonly regular in his habits; was known in public life, having been selectman and representative several years. He was often chosen as arbitrator between parties, and was known as Esquire Reed. He was likewise distinguished for piety, and filled an important place in the society to which he belonged. His wife was also a

woman superior in sound sense and practical piety. She died Oct. 12, 1843.

6. John, son of Esquire John and Mary, born Aug. 11, 1776; married Rebecca Gooding, May 31, 1804. Children, — Mary Ann, born May 20, 1805; John, June 17, 1808; Henry G., July 23, 1810; Rebecca, April 12, 1813; William, Sept. 2, 1816; Sophia, Nov. 9, 1818; Elizabeth G., Sept. 4, 1822.

6. William, son of Esquire John and Mary, born Oct. 6, 1778; married Elizabeth D. Dennis, April 24, 1804. Children, — a daughter, born Oct. 18, 1805, died at her birth; Elizabeth D., born March 2, 1807; Mary G., Jan. 10, 1809; Julia, Sept. 11, 1810, married Rev. S. H. Emery; William, July 16, 1812, died Sept. 9, 1813; Nancy D., born July 29, 1814; Eleanor S., July 14, 1817; William; Amelia, Feb. 25, 1821; a daughter, born Jan. 27, 1823, and died same day; Chester I., born Nov. 25, 1823. Married, for second wife, Mary Dennis, Feb. 19, 1825. Children, — a daughter, born Dec. 26, 1825; John D., March 15, 1827; Charles E., Jan. 27, 1830, minister at Malden; Erastus M., July 28, 1832, who married Sarah Crocket at the family gathering of the Reeds on the 21st of August, 1857, at Taunton. He is a lawyer in Mansfield.

7. William, son of William and Elizabeth of Taunton, married Eliza Deane.

7. Chester I., son of William and Elizabeth of Taunton, born Nov. 25, 1818; married Elizabeth Allyne; is Judge of the Police Court in Taunton, and member of the Senate of Massachusetts.

6. Dolly, daughter of John, Esq., and Mary, born May 31, 1785; married Zephaniah L. Hodges, Oct. 1, 1809. Children, — John R., born July 1, 1812; Zephaniah, March 22, 1814; Harriet, May 31, 1816; George F. H., April 18, 1820; Charles H., March 26, 1823.

7. Julia, daughter of William and Elizabeth, born Sept. 11, 1810; married Rev. Samuel H. Emery, March 7, 1838. Children, — William R., born June 4, 1839; Samuel H., Aug. 3, 1840.

6. Hodges, son of John, Esq., and Mary, of Taunton, born June 3, 1790; married Clarissa Hodges, daughter of Joseph Hodges of Norton, May, 1813. Children, — Edgar Hodges, born July 3, 1814; Clarissa W., June 6, 1817; William Frederick; Frederick Alonzo, Dec. 7, 1821, — a clergyman, settled in Cohasset; Eveline, born May 7, 1825; Charlotte Augusta, Oct. 1, 1825. He has been a member of the Legislature, and is the author of some religious works.

6. Marshal, son of John Reed, Esq., of Taunton, born Jan. 17, 1788; married Clarissa C. Willis, June 11, 1817. Children, — Sarah Almey, born Aug. 20, 1818; Clarissa Willis, Aug. 13, 1830; Edwin, May 6, 1822; Philomela, Sept. 13, 1824.

7. Edgar Hodges, son of Hodges Reed, Esq., of Taunton, born July 3, 1814; married Ellen Augusta Reed, Aug. 30, 1837. Children, — Ellen Dutton, born Sept. 9, 1838; Eugene Godfrey, July 30, 1841, died Aug. 13, 1841; Clarissa Maria, born May 9, 1843, died Aug. 6, 1843; Alice Maria, March 13, 1848. He lives in Taunton; is a merchant; and is one to whom I am much indebted for assistance in getting the statistics for this work. He is a great antiquarian; has, at the sacrifice of much time and money, examined the old and dilapidated records in many towns in Plymouth and Massachusetts Colonies; and has accumulated many facts interesting to those bearing the name or blood.

3. Thomas, son of Thomas and Sarah, born at Dighton, Aug. 20, 1718; married Rebecca Talbot. Children, — Rebecca, born Nov. 1, 1747; Thomas, Oct. 7, 1749; Sarah, June 3, 1751.

5. Samuel, son of Samuel and Rachel, born at Dighton,

Dec. 23, 1754; married Mercy Gilmore, April 17, 1788. Child, — Alpheus, born March 21, 1790.

5. Seth, son of Samuel and Rachel, born at Dighton, May 14, 1765; married Cassandra Dean, May 18, 1788. Children, — Seth, born Oct. 14, 1790; Salmon, Dec. 23, 1795, died March 18, 1843; Cassandra, born Aug. 14, 1798; Otis, Sept. 16, 1801; Stephen D., March 3, 1810. His wife died Jan. 4, 1840.

4. Loved, son of George and Sarah, born at Dighton, Feb. 26, 1741; married Charity Phillips. Children, — Loved, born May 22, 1764, died; Charity, born June 11, 1765; Lydia, Sept. 19, 1766; Phebe, July 22, 1768; Phylene, March 24, 1770; Mary, April 22, 1772; Betsy, April 12, 1774; Joshua, April 17, 1776; Loved, Jan. 17, 1778; Sarah, July 13, 1780, died in 1795; John, born April 13, 1782. His wife died March 25, 1784. Married Mary French, Oct. 15, 1786, for second wife. Children, — Rebecca, born Oct. 27, 1787; David, Dec. 26, 1789; Mary, June 2, 1793.

5. William, son of John and Miriam, born at Dighton, March 19, 1761; married Betsy Carter, Dec. 20, 1786. Children, — George, born Oct. 20, 1787; Betsy, Nov. 6, 1789; William, Dec. 27, 1793; Sally, Oct. 20, 1791; Charles L., Feb. 15, 1796; John, Oct. 17, 1798; James, May 7, 1801, died Aug. 23, 1820; Patty, born Aug. 11, 1803; Anthony, July 10, 1805; Mary, Aug. 19, 1812. He died Aug. 17, 1739.

4. Thomas, son of Thomas and Rebecca, born at Dighton, Oct. 7, 1749; married Mary Briggs, June 9, 1773.

5. Simeon, son of Simeon and Deborah, born at Dighton, July 28, 1763; married Hannah. Children, — Simeon, born June 10, 1784; Hannah, Jan. 21, 1788; Deborah, March 12, 1793. His wife died May 8, 1804. Married Elizabeth for second wife. Child, — Eliza, born Aug. 20, 1804.

5. David, son of Loved and Rebecca, born at Dighton, Dec. 26, 1789; married Jemima. Children, — Clarinda, born at Dighton, July 22, 1812; Nancy, April, 1814.

5. John, son of Loved and Charity, born at Dighton, April 13, 1782; married Polly. Children, — George, born Nov. 20, 1805; Betsy J., July 20, 1807; John C., April 22, 1813; Charles P., Aug. 21, 1814.

6. Seth, son of Seth and Cassandra, born at Dighton, Oct. 14, 1790; married Matilda Smith, April 24, 1823. Children, — Alfred H., born Oct. 26, 1823; Benjamin F., Aug. 11, 1825; Clarinda S., Dec. 5, 1827; Joseph B., May 12, 1830.

6. Anthony, son of William and Betsy, born at Dighton, July 10, 1805; married Elizabeth Bliss. Children, — Anne A., born Dec. 10, 1846; Lucy A., June 3, 1848; John M., June 10, 1852; Charles A., Nov. 20, 1852.

7. Alfred H., son of Seth and Matilda, born Oct. 6, 1823; married Eunice E. Paul, Aug. 10, 1846. Children, — Laura A., born Sept. 17, 1853; Franklin A., June 1, 1855; Charlie, June 17, 1857.

6. Stephen, son of Seth and Cassandra, born at Dighton, March 30, 1810; married Matilda. Children, — Clara, born Oct. 24, 1849; Emma F., June 2, 1851; Caroline A., Sept. 21, 1853; George F., Sept. 16, 1856.

6. Otis, son of Seth and Cassandra, born at Dighton, Sept. 16, 1801; married Ann E. Hilton, Oct. 28, 1832; and Amanda Paul, for second wife, Feb. 25, 1844. Children, — James C., born Jan. 21, 1845; Susan A. and Sibyl, Aug. 21, 1847; William B., April 8, 1849. He died Jan. 15, 1854.

5. Elijah A., son of Deacon Simeon and Deborah, born at Dighton; married Delight Brown, April 26, 1796. Children, — Rev. Augustus Brown, born at Rehoboth, Nov. 19, 1798; Harriet, March 1, 1802; Delight, April 26, 1804;

John Newton, Nov. 18, 1806 ; Gustavus A., Dec. 23, 1811.

6. Gustavus A., son of Deacon Elijah A. and Delight, born at Rehoboth, Dec. 23, 1811 ; married Celesta A. Miller, March 16, 1836. Children, — Charles L., born at Rehoboth, Sept. 30, 1837 ; Celesta A., June 13, 1839 ; Almira M., Dec. 10, 1844 ; Almond A., Dec. 2, 1848 ; Jane A., Feb. 22, 1851 ; Delight, Feb. 14, 1856.

6. Rev. Augustus B. Reed, born at Rehoboth, Nov. 9, 1798, son of Deacon Elijah A. ; married Malinda Boydon. Children, — Theodore C., Delight B., William A., John R., Theophilus. He was a settled minister in Ware ; where he died Sept. 30, 1838.

William, son, probably, of William and Mary of Rochester. Children, — William, Ichabod, George. Lived in Taunton.

George, son of William, born October, 1733 ; died January, 1820 ; married Elizabeth Harvey. She died November, 1822. Children, — Isaiah, born at Taunton, Feb. 12, 1757, died Oct. 14, 1814 ; George, Nov. 21, 1759 ; Percy ; Oliver, 1769 ; Betsy, May, 1772, married Jonathan Thayer, and is living. Lived in Taunton.

Isaiah, son of George and Elizabeth, born at Taunton, Feb. 12, 1757 ; married Abigail Briggs of Berkeley. Children, — Abigail, born at Taunton, Aug. 21, 1781 ; Salome, May 15, 1784, died February, 1815 ; Sylda, born Oct. 25, 1783 ; Allen, 1788, died in 1789 ; Axie, born 1790, died December, 1816 ; Lucretia, January, 1796 ; Sophronia, April, 1799. His wife died April 17, 1841. He lived in Taunton.

George, son of George and Elizabeth, married Experience Blackman of Canton, Mass. Children, — George, born Feb. 15, 1787 ; Luther, July 4, 1790 ; Jason, June 28, 1796, died Oct. 18, 1824 ; Experience, born May 4, 1802,

married John Corey, Dec. 2, 1824 ; Betsy, died young ; Olive, died young. He moved to Augusta, Me., with his family ; where they now live.

George, son of George and Experience of Augusta, Me., born Feb. 15, 1787 ; married Lucinda B. Sawtell in 1813. Children, — Eliza C., born Oct. 13, 1814 ; married Virgil Ballard ; Lucinda S., born May 9, 1813, married Isaac Hilton. He died Feb. 3, 1820 : his wife died Aug. 27, 1836.

Luther, son of George and Experience of Augusta, born July 4, 1790 ; married Betsy Hamilton, March 5, 1816. Children, — Betsy H., born Feb. 28, 1818, married William A. Springer ; Luther W., born Feb. 25, 1822 ; Julia A., Aug. 25, 1826. Married, for second wife, Fanny Howard, daughter of Major Rewel Howard, Nov. 21, 1839.

Luther W., son of Luther and Betsy, born Feb. 25, 1822 ; married Lucy D. Cummins. Child, — Ella Augusta, born Oct. 2, 1855.

Oliver, son of George and Elizabeth, born in 1769 ; married Bethiah Leonard, May 13, 1788. Children, — Oliver, born June, 1788 ; George L., June 9, 1791 ; Barney, Dec. 4, 1797 ; Isaiah ; Stimson ; Barzillai ; William H. ; Betsy H., 1794 ; Bethiah L., 1781, died in 1794. He died in 1850 : his wife died October, 1853.

Oliver, son of Oliver and Bethiah, born at Taunton, June, 1788 ; died January, 1834 ; married Chloe Briggs. Children, — Chloe, born Jan. 9, 1816 ; Oliver D., April 9, 1817 ; Harriet W., Nov. 10, 1818 ; George L., Nov. 9, 1820 ; Sarah T., July 8, 1822 ; Lydia B., Feb. 22, 1825, died Dec. 21, 1848 ; Huldah W., born Jan. 17, 1828, died Dec. 28, 1829 ; Rebecca L., born Dec. 6, 1829 ; Lorenzo R., Sept. 11, 1833. He died in 1834.

George L., son of Oliver and Chloe, born at Taunton, Nov. 9, 1820 ; married Hannah. Children, — Charles E., born March, 1852 ; William W., June, 1854.

Barzillai, son of Oliver and Bethiah, born April 16, 1808; married Deborah Churchill. Children, — Deborah C., born Aug. 20, 1838; Rachel, June 28, 1838; Stephen O.

William Hodges, son of Oliver and Bethiah, born March 14, 1810; married Amanda Goff. Child, — William H., born in 1844. Lives in Rehoboth.

Betsy, daughter of George and Elizabeth, born May, 1772; married Jonathan Thayer, who died April 28, 1831.

Oliver D., son of Oliver and Chloe, born Aug. 9, 1817; married Sally Wilbur. Children, — Emma Jane, born Nov. 12, 1850; Mary A., April 19, 1855.

George L., son of Oliver and Chloe, married Hannah Field. Children, — Charles E., born March, 1852; William W., June, 1854; Ardelia A., August, 1856.

Lorenzo R., son of Oliver and Chloe, married Martha Hodges. Children, — Martha M., born March 18, 1853; Henry J., June 27, 1858.

George L., son of Oliver and Bethiah, born June 29, 1791; married Betsy Lincoln. Children, — Betsy H., born Oct. 30, 1815; Bethiah L., June 10, 1817.

Barney, son of Oliver and Bethiah, born Dec. 4, 1797; married Rachel Woodward. Children, — Jarvis B., born March, 1820; Salmon, 1822, died January, 1851; John G. A., 1824, died 1853; Louis, July 22, 1834; Isaiah, August, 1839, died July, 1852.

Stimson, son of Oliver and Bethiah, born Nov. 12, 1805; married Fanny Briggs. Children, — Clarissa D., born Aug. 26, 1837; Stimson L., Oct. 6, 1840. His wife died May 8, 1841.

Jarvis B., son of Barney, born March, 1820; married Elizabeth. Child, — Arthur W., born July, 1852.

John G. A., son of Barney and Rachel, born in 1824; married Irene Makepeace of Norton. Children, — John F., born in 1846; Arvilla J., 1844.

Isaiah, son of Oliver and Bethiah, married Fanny Thomas, Child, — Fanny M.

The Taunton branch of Reeds are in the habit of having a yearly meeting. The following, taken from a newspaper, will describe one of these gatherings: —

"Reed Family Gathering. — The annual gathering of the Reed Family was held in the orchard of the old homestead in Taunton. The oration was by John R. Hodges of Fall River; the poem, by Mrs. B. W. Williams of Boston; the report of remarkable events, by Samuel G. Tucker of Taunton; report of Special Committee on the same subject, by Mrs. Sophia J. Reed of Taunton. The original hymns were by Mrs. Sophronia Hodges of Fall River, and Mrs. Eleanor Dean of Taunton. The oldest living member of the family, John Reed of Taunton, presided. He is about eighty-three years of age, is still in active business, and has more of vigor and energy than many of the younger members. The morning was devoted to the regular exercises, including the annual business; after which the whole company sat down, under a large tent prepared in the orchard for the occasion, to a sumptuous dinner. Songs and toasts were the order after dinner. The afternoon was spent in playing ball, and various other amusements. Shortly before supper, at the call of the bell, the family assembled to listen to the poem and reports. The report of remarkable events was a very amusing affair, introducing all the odd adventures and laughable incidents of individual members of the family. As the person who prepares this report omits, of course, all allusion to himself, a special committee is appointed to look after him. This was prepared after the manner of 'Hiawatha,' and brought down roars of laughter. Supper at half-past five o'clock, with singing and prayer, closed up the exercises. The following original hymn, composed by Mrs. Dean, entitled the 'Dying Patriarch,' was sung at the supper-table. It refers to the grandfather of John, William, Hodges, and Marshall Reed. The author of the hymn was sitting near him during his last illness, and but a short time before his death, in company with some others. He was possessed of an unutterable calm, and was the only one who spoke much. 'The nearer,' he said, 'I approach the

heavenly country, the more do I behold and love the beauty and glory of my Redeemer.'

'Ah, methought the peace of Heaven,
Heaven's sweet peace, was in that mien.'

Drawing near the heavenly country,
Where my dearest treasures be, —
Treasures in a lifetime gathered,
And through Christ assured to me, —

I behold the gracious beauty
And the glory of my Lord;
And my soul with love is kindled, —
Kindled by his precious word: —

'I am with thee, with thee alway,
Even till the world shall end;
I a mansion have prepared thee;
I a Comforter will send.'

Am I weak? my blest Redeemer,
With his 'everlasting arm,'
Bears me up and bears me onward,
And my soul feels no alarm.

Earth is fading from my vision;
Heaven spreads out before my view:
When the floods roll dark beneath me,
He will bear me safely through.

"After prayer by Hodges Reed of Taunton, the family dispersed. It was a joyous time for all present, and old men and children entered into the sports of the day with energy and zest."

2. James, son of William, 1st, of Weymouth, born at Weymouth; married Susanna Richmond of Bridgewater, April 18, 1683. Children, — James, who died Feb. 1, 1734; William; John; Thomas; Mary, born 1697, died July 17, 1724; Martha; Ann; Susanna. He moved from Weymouth to Taunton in 1680, to Middleborough in 1705, and served in Capt. Johnson's company in 1695.

John, son of James and Susanna of Middleborough, married Susanna Rounds, Feb. 8, 1709. Children, — Elizabeth, born Nov. 22, 1711; Oliver, June 18, 1715.

Benjamin, supposed to be son of James and Susanna of

Middleborough, born in 1699; married Hannah Chase, Dec. 1, 1720. Children, — Benjamin, born Feb. 12, 1724; Hannah, Jan. 29, 1727; Samuel, April 7, 1729; Stephen, Nov. 7, 1732.

Benjamin, son of Benjamin and Hannah, born May 21, 1721; married Elizabeth. Children, — Elizabeth, born Sept. 3, 1750; Anna, April 16, 1754; Benjamin, Nov. 13, 1757.

3. William, son of James of Middleborough, married Elizabeth. Children, — William, born at Middleborough, July 18, 1715; Hannah, Jan. 7, 1717; Benjamin, May 26, 1720; Thomas, March 15, 1723; Peter, May 7, 1729; John, July 8, 1749; Samuel, Sept. 17, 1750; Deliverance, July 13, 1752; Mercy, Sept. 21, 1754; Ichabod, Dec. 20, 1755; Thankful, March 2, 1757; Anna, May 10, 1758; Mercy, April 25, 1763; a son, April 23, 1744, died in twenty-six days; a daughter, born July 17, 1759, died in three months.

4. Samuel, son of William and Elizabeth, born at Middleborough, Sept. 17, 1750; married Rebecca Knowlton, Nov. 5, 1785. Children, — Bethiah, born April 23, 1782; Lucy, July 16, 1784; Samuel, Dec. 11, 1786; Eunice, Jan. 21, 1789; Polly, Aug. 4, 1791; John, July 21, 1793; Nathaniel, Nov. 27, 1796; Watson, April 19, 1804. He died March 9, 1822: his wife died Sept. 19, 1831, aged seventy-one.

Samuel, son of Samuel and Rebecca, born Dec. 11, 1786; married Ruth. Child, — William, born at Middleborough, Dec. 7, 1819. He lives in Middleborough.

William, son of William and Elizabeth, born July 18, 1715; married Sarah Warren, June 24, 1740. Children, — Priscilla, born Dec. 8, 1742; William, Jan. 4, 1744; Benjamin, Jan. 29, 1746; Sarah, Jan. 15, 1748; Elizabeth, May 4, 1750; Israel, March 7, 1752; Elizabeth, Sept. 9, 1759; Abner, Aug. 12, 1764. William married Alice Richards, Sept. 22, 1763.

Watson, son of Samuel and Rebecca, born April 19, 1804; married Sylvia Lamson, Nov. 20, 1825.

Ichabod, son of William and Elizabeth, born at Middleborough, Dec. 20, 1755; married Sarah Vaughan, Dec. 3, 1778. Children, — Ichabod, born July 6, 1789, married Lucy; Thomas V., who settled in Middleborough, Vt.; Josiah V., settled in Rochester, Mass.; Susanna; Huldah; Sarah, who settled in Brookfield, Vt.; Priscilla; Lois; Betsey.

Benjamin, son of William and Sarah, born at Middleborough, Jan. 29, 1746; married Abiah Macomber, Oct. 23, 1763.

Joshua, son of ——, married Ruth Snow, Dec. 3, 1772. Children, — Darius, born at Middleborough, Jan. 14, 1774; Levi, March 3, 1775; Jonah, Jan. 3, 1777; Noah, Feb. 3, 1779; Deliverance, April 8, 1781; William, April 8, 1783; Ruth, April 5, 1785; Betsey, April 5, 1785; Joshua, Feb. 16, 1787; George, Sept. 17, 1788. He probably married Deborah for second wife. Children, — Deborah, born May 30, 1790; Joshua, July 24, 1792; Silence, Oct. 11, 1796.

Noah, son of Joshua and Ruth, born Feb. 3, 1779; married Tabitha. She died Jan. 11, 1856, aged seventy-six.

Luke, son of ——, born ——; married Keziah Leonard, Oct. 19, 1786. Children, — Mehetabel, born at Middleborough, May 19, 1787; Luke, Aug. 18, 1788; Keziah, May 8, 1791. His wife died Aug. 26, 1831, aged eighty-one.

Luke, son of Luke, born Aug. 18, 1788; married Ann. Children, — Adam, born May 26, 1818; Julia A., Sept. 3, 1822; Cyrus P., born at Middleborough, Dec. 24, 1831; Luke, Feb. 22, 1833; Gustavus L., Aug. 15, 1836. He lives in Middleborough.

Cyrus P., son of Luke, born Dec. 24, 1831; married Nancy. Child, — Cyrus A., born at Middleborough, Feb. 17, 1756.

Silas, son of ——, born ——; married ——. Children, — Sophia, born at Middleborough, Jan. 31, 1794; John C., March 30, 1807.

John C., son of Silas, born March 30, 1807; married Mercy B. Swift, April 4, 1844. Children, — Isaac N., born at Middleborough, March 27, 1835; Charles E. and Mercy B., Sept. 10, 1850. He lives in Middleborough.

Ichabod, son of Ichabod, born July 26, 1789; married Lucy. Children, — Huldah, born at Middleborough, April 5, 1814; Lucy, June 1, 1818; Jeremiah W., July 6, 1819; Sarah, Aug. 11, 1821; Ichabod, June 4, 1831, died Sept. 3, 1854; Sylvanus, born Jan. 4, 1818. He still lives in Middleborough.

Sylvanus, son of Ichabod and Lucy, born Jan. 4, 1818, at Middleborough; married Olive P. Children, — Lydia W.; Mary E. Lives at Middleborough, Mass.

Jeremiah W., son of Ichabod, born at Middleborough, Mass., July 6, 1819; married Mary G. Lives at Middleborough, and has no children.

Nathan, son of ——, born ——; married ——. Children, — Allen, born at Middleborough, May 14, 1793; Nathan, Oct. 16, 1795; Hosea, March 7, 1797; Levi, Dec. 28, 1797.

Levi, son of Nathan and ——, born Dec. 28, 1797; married Sophia Hathaway, Oct. 5, 1820. Children, — Levi, born at Middleborough, Jan. 27, 1821; Clarinda, Oct. 4, 1824.

Levi, son of Levi, born at Middleborough, Jan. 27, 1821; married Hannah. Child, — Levi E., born July 28, 1849. Married, for second wife, Mahala Caswell, Nov. 7, 1851, and lives in Marlborough.

Allen, son of Nathan, born May 14, 1793; married Sophia Reed, March 27, 1814. Children, — Otis, born at Middleborough, Oct. 27, 1814; William, Aug. 14, 1816; Francis,

June 16, 1818; Louisa, April 14, 1820; Nathan, Nov. 17, 1824; Charles, 1827, died March 30, 1840, aged thirteen.

Elijah, son of ——, born ——; married Lucy Washburn, July 3, 1799. Children, — Beza, born at Middleborough, Feb. 10, 1780; Sally, Oct. 26, 1782; Solomon, April 26, 1785; Pacoral, Sept. 11, 1787; Elijah, Dec. 28, 1790; Lucy, Jan. 4, 1793; Alice, July 5, 1797. He died Aug. 31, 1816.

Elijah, son of Elijah and Lucy, born Dec. 28, 1790; married Jane. Children, — William, born at Middleborough, March 31, 1814; Jane D., May 4, 1816; Henry W., Nov. 15, 1818; Franklin, March 30, 1821.

Solomon, son of Elijah and Lucy, born April 26, 1785; married Delany Shaw, Feb. 23, 1809. Children, — Delany S., born at Middleborough, March 31, 1814; Solomon, Sept. 28, 1812; Elijah, Sept. 11, 1816; Reliance, Feb. 22, 1822.

Beza, son of Elijah and Lucy, born Feb. 10, 1780; married Ruth Edson, Oct. 10, 1798.

William, son of Elijah and Jane, born March 31, 1814; married in Boston to Anna M. Watson, Sept. 24, 1851.

Cyrus, son of ——, born Feb. 15, 1802; married Sally. Children, — Elizabeth, born at Middleborough, June 18, 1802; Hannah, April 24, 1824.

Ebenezer, son of ——, born ——; married in Middleborough to Hannah Thompson, Feb. 21, 1732.

Jonathan, son of ——, born ——; married Joanna Tinkham in Middleborough, Oct. 11, 1750.

John, son of ——, married Lydia Booth in Middleborough, March 9, 1763.

3. John, son of Thomas of Weymouth and of Sarah, and grandson of William the emigrant, born Dec. 30, 1679; married Sarah. Child, — John, born Aug. 10, 1713. Married Mary for second wife. Children, — James, born Oct. 12, 1716; Joseph, Feb. 13, 1718; Mary, Dec. 21, 1719.

4. John, son of John and Sarah, born Aug. 10, 1713; married Abigail Niles, Dec. 28, 1738. Child, — John, born April 26, 1741.

4. Joseph, son of John and Sarah of Abington, born Feb. 13, 1718; married Mary, and settled in Abington, in what is now included in the town of Bridgewater. Child, — Mary, born in 1741.

6. Seth, son of Micah and Deborah, born at Abington, Jan. 9, 1776; married Hannah Shaw at Cummington, July 4, 1804. Children, — Allzida, born at Cummington, April 3, 1805, died April, 1805; Olive, May 10, 1806, married Jonas Tirrell, Oct. 28, 1824; Betsy, born Dec. 30, 1808; Lucia, May 9, 1819, married Jonas F. Luce, Sept. 1, 1839; Robert, born Oct. 4, 1822. He died Dec. 19, 1853.

7. Robert, son of Seth and Hannah, born Oct. 4, 1822; married Nancy. Child, — Clara, born at Cummington, Oct. 4, 1850.

Noah, son of Daniel and Ruth, born at Abington, Dec. 10, 1754; married Abigail. Children, — Nabby, born at Cummington, April 16, 1785; Daniel, Nov. 5, 1786; Ruth, June 21, 1789, married Josiah Shaw, Oct. 10, 1825; Nancy, born April 30, 1791; Olive, Dec. 15, 1793; Jesse, March 25, 1796; Orpha, Dec. 31, 1805, married Alonzo Gurney, Jan. 25, 1825. His wife died Oct. 9, 1837: he died Jan. 19, 1832.

Daniel, son of Noah and Abigail, born at Cummington, Nov. 5, 1786; married Cynthia Warner, Oct. 20, 1814. Children, — Noah Warner, born at Cummington, Nov. 25, 1815; Daniel E., March 17, 1818; John C., July 4, 1820; Paul D., Feb. 24, 1823; Lucius F., Sept. 24, 1829. His wife died Sept. 10, 1849.

Jesse, son of Noah and Abigail, born March 25, 1796; married Mary Davis, Feb. 19, 1829. Children, — Frances Jane, born at Cummington, July 3, 1830; William Lewis,

May 5, 1832; Hiram Davis, Nov. 1, 1833; Myron Winslow, Jan. 16, 1837. He lives in Cummington.

Noah W., son of Daniel and Cynthia, born Nov. 25, 1815; married Nancy. Children, — Mary Jane, born at Cummington, June 17, 1839; Cynthia W., March 20, 1841; John S., March 31, 1843; Nancy E., Oct. 18, 1848; a son, Oct. 19, 1850; Horace E., May, 1855. He lives in Cummington.

John C., son of Daniel and Cynthia, born July 4, 1820; married Sarah. Children, — a son, born at Cummington, March, 1854; Mary A., Jan. 9, 1856. Lives in Cummington.

William L., son of Jesse and Mary, born May 5, 1832; married Julia Sampson, Jan. 1, 1856. Child, — a daughter, born at Cummington, Aug. 25, 1857. Lives in Cummington.

Simeon G., son of Thomas, jun., and Joanna, born at Abington, Sept. 29, 1793; married Rachel Burges of Harvard, June 3, 1829. Child, — Simeon G., born at Abington, Sept. 23, 1830. He died Oct. 1, 1831.

Simeon G., son of Simeon G., married at Quincy, Oct. 17, 1850, to Amanda Wood; and lives in Portland, Oregon.

Bela, son of Jacob and Nancy, born Dec. 2, 1803; married Joanna. Children, — Jacob, born April 5, 1827; Nancy, Jan. 31, 1832; Elizabeth Richmond, Oct. 8, 1835.

5. Naomi, daughter of James, married Obadiah Hersey of Abington in 1777. Children, — Luther, Polly, Galen, Jeremiah, James, Olive.

7. Charles S., son of Jeremiah, born Oct. 12, 1816; married Clarissa S. Gurney of East Bridgewater. Children, — Rebecca, born in 1849; Mary J., 1844; Charles, 1846. His wife died in 1849. Married, for second wife, Stetson.

Jacob, son of ——, married Rebecca Andrews, April 23, 1795.

Daniel, son of ——, married Nancy Foster at Middleborough, Feb. 21, 1813.

John, son of ——, married Irene Lampson at Middleborough, April, 1832.

CHAPTER IX.

PHILIP READE OF WEYMOUTH, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

1. PHILIP READE, who was of Weymouth in 1640, married Mary. Children, — Philip, born at Weymouth, Aug. 24, 1641; Margaret; Samuel; Mary, who married John Vining, Nov. 27, 1669. He was made freeman in 1654, and died Feb. 29, 1675. His will was proved March 6, 1676.

2. Philip, son of Philip and Mary, born at Weymouth, Aug. 24, 1641; married Hannah. Children, — Mary, born March 21, 1669; Philip, Nov. 2, 1674; Hannah, Feb. 18, 1671; John, Aug. 16, 1676. Married Abigail for second wife. Children, — Samuel, born Sept. 21, 1681; Prudence, Oct. 7, 1685; Stephen, Oct. 15, 1690; Deborah, Aug. 30, 1692.

3. Stephen, son of Philip, born Oct. 15, 1690; married Mary Whitmarsh in 1714. Children, — Mary, born at Abington, March 16, 1715; Stephen, March 26, 1717; Ruth, Oct. 30, 1719; Abigail and Rachel, Jan. 23, 1721; Philip, Feb. 14, 1724.

3. Philip, son of Philip, born Nov. 2, 1674.

3. John, son of Philip, born Aug. 16, 1676; married Sarah. Children, — John, born about 1700; Thomas; William; Sarah, who married Adam Cushing; Ruth. His will is dated 1757. He had inherited some portion of his brother Samuel's estate, in Abington.

4. John, son of John and Sarah, born about 1700; married Sarah. Children, — Sarah, born July 7, 1721; Ruth,

Oct. 28, 1724; John, June 22, 1728; Samuel, July 13, 1732. His will is dated 1784. Had a grandson Robert Pratt.

3. Samuel, son of Philip and Hannah, born Sept. 21, 1681; married Mary Davis in 1705. His residence was in Abington, nearest to the town of Bridgewater. Child, — Mary, who married Ebenezer Shaw.

4. Samuel, who married Elizabeth Haywood in 1737. His widow married Timothy Haywood.

Samuel of Abington, probably son of Samuel and Elizabeth, married Mary Young, May 26, 1763. Children, — Sarah, born in Abington, July 6, 1765; Deborah, July 25, 1768, married Christopher Dyer, March 5, 1786. Married Mary Pool for second wife, Aug. 23, 1787. Children, — Mary, born March 23, 1789; Samuel, Dec. 18, 1790; Abiah, May 18, 1792, died young; Abiah, born May 19, 1793; Hannah, March 25, 1795; Joseph, Oct. 29, 1798; Ruth, July 19, 1800; Charles, Oct. 2, 1802.

Joseph, son of Samuel and Mary, born in Abington, Oct. 29, 1798; married Jane Stoddard, Nov. 17, 1822.

Samuel, son of Samuel and Mary, born in Abington, Dec. 18, 1790; married Polly. Children, — Samuel, born in Abington, May 26, 1811; Polly, Jan. 16, 1813; Levi, Dec. 31, 1814; Dexter, Nov. 10, 1816; Mehetabel, March 31, 1822.

Levi, son of Samuel and Polly, born Dec. 31, 1814; married Louisa E. Drake, April 20, 1837. Child, — Louisa Maria, born in Abington, Aug. 10, 1838.

Dexter, son of Samuel and Polly, born Nov. 10, 1816; married Catherine Stetson, Aug. 29, 1839. Children, — Frederick, born in Abington, Feb. 11, 1841; Lewis, Oct. 26, 1842; Catherine, Sept. 3, 1844; Mary Ann, Dec. 22, 1846; Ruthven, Jan. 5, 1850; Eveline S., Dec. 1, 1851.

CHAPTER X.

JOHN REEDE OF PLYMOUTH COUNTY.

JOHN REEDE was brought to this country by James Garret of Charlestown, with others, who were sold to pay their passage and expenses. He was bid off by one Michael Pierce of Hingham, to serve from July 16, 1653, to Sept. 10, 1662, for seven pounds; the said John consenting thereto. After he had served out his apprenticeship, he found his way to Scituate, an adjoining town, and married Mary Winter, daughter of Christopher Winter. Mr. Winter was formerly of Plymouth; but left there when quite young, on account of having been fined for getting himself published to Jane Cooper, a young damsel of Plymouth, without her consent. He lived at Marshfield when Mr. Reede married his daughter, in 1668. He afterwards lived at Jones River, what is now Kingston.

Mr. Reede lived in Marshfield, and is progenitor of the Marshfield Reeds and others of the name in that vicinity. The will of his father-in-law is dated Sept. 6, 1680. He died May 20, 1694; and his widow and son John settled his estate.

CHAPTER XI.

JOHN READ OF FREETOWN, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

1. JOHN READ was one of the first settlers of Newport, R.I. Tradition says that he came from Plymouth, England. Children, — John, Ebenezer, Oliver.

2. John, son of John of Newport, married Hannah, and settled in Freetown in 1677, — eighteen years after the first settlement of the town by people who felt oppressed by the arbitrary laws of the Plymouth and Massachusetts Colonies; which originated the word Freetown. He was a cordwainer. Children, — Joseph; John; Hannah, who married a Sherman. He died Jan. 23, 1721: his wife died April 12, 1727.

2. John, son of John and Hannah, married Mary. Children, — Mary, born Nov. 19, 1690; John, June 12, 1694; Thomas, May 9, 1696; Hannah, Oct. 12, 1697, died Oct. 17, 1718; William, born Sept. 9, 1699; Oliver, Oct. 11, 1701; Penelope, Oct. 12, 1703, married Stephen Border; Jonathan, born Jan. 23, 1705, married Hope Durfee of Tiverton; Joseph, born March 5, 1708; Sarah, Feb. 1, 1709, died June 3, 1728; Nathan, born Feb. 23, 1711; Susannah, Feb. 27, 1715. His wife died May 6, 1726. He was town-clerk of Freetown thirty years.

3. John, son of John and Mary, born at Freetown, June 12, 1694; married Sarah Burden of Freetown, Oct. 31,

1719. Children, — John, born Nov. 17, 1720; Oliver, Nov. 10, 1725; Thomas; William; Jonathan; Mary; Penelope; Susanna. He lived in Swansea, and died 1751.

4. Oliver, son of John and Mary, born at Freetown, Oct. 14, 1701, married Martha. Children, — Joseph, born at Freetown, Dec. 11, 1732; Oliver, Aug. 21, 1734; Mary, March 31, 1736; Jonathan, Nov. 13, 1737; Wait, Dec. 6, 1739; Nathan, June 16, 1742.

4. Jonathan, son of John and Sarah, married Eunice Weaver, April 24, 1757. Child, — James. He died before the date of his father's will, 1750.

5. Oliver, son of Oliver and Martha, born at Freetown, Aug. 21, 1734; married Patience Braiton, of Swansea, Feb. 14, 1754. He was a captain in the Revolutionary War, and a distinguished man. Children, — Nancy, who married Thomas Freelove; Ruth; Stephen; Oliver; Thomas; Deborah, married William Gifford; Phebe; Anna, married George Read, and married Perley Willson for second husband.

5. Joseph, son of Oliver and Martha, born at Freetown, Dec. 11, 1732; married Mary Knowles of Swansea, Jan. 10, 1760. Children, — Joseph, born in 1761, died in 1791; James, born in 1768. He died in 1791, and his son Joseph died the same year. His wife died in 1816. The gravestones of these three are standing, in good condition, in the burying-ground in the close of the late Joseph E. Read, Esq.

3. William, son of John and Mary, born at Freetown, Sept. 9, 1679; married Sarah. Children, — John, born at Swansea in 1729; Mary, 1733; Betty, 1736; Nathan, Nov. 8, 1741. Lived in Swansey.

4. John, son of William and Sarah, born at Swansea in 1729; married Mary Carey. Children, — William, born at Newport, June 11, 1755, died 1756; William, born July 5,

1761, died in 1763; Sarah, born Jan. 12, 1763, married Eben Page; John, born May 25, 1765, died in 1818; Mary, born Dec. 27, 1766, married Epaphras Jones; Nathan, born Nov. 18, 1768, died 1773; Nathan, born Jan. 24, 1774; William, July 5, 1776. He moved from Newport to Swansea in the Revolutionary War.

4. Nathan, son of William and Sarah, born Nov. 8, 1741, at Swansey; married Content Braiton. Child, — Preserved, born at Swansea, Dec. 18, 1777.

5. Preserved, son of Nathan and Content, born Dec. 18, 1777; married Nancy Winslow. Children, — Catherine, born at Swansea, June 12, 1807; Nathan, Sept. 8, 1809; Francis, July 5, 1812; Eveline M., Feb. 18, 1815, married William Mitchell; Elizabeth, born Feb. 17, 1817, married George W. Carr; Ebenezer, born Feb. 1, 1821; Maria, Nov. 16, 1823; Charles G., May 27, 1829. Was formerly a sea-captain.

6. Francis, son of Preserved, born July 5, 1812; married Frances Sanderson. Children, — Cata, born at San Francisco in 1852; Charles G., 1855.

5. John, son of William and Mary, born at Newport, May 25, 1765; married Eliza Dennis. Children, — Mary J., born at Newport, Oct. 15, 1798, married Dr. Simmons; Frances, April 25, 1804. He died in 1818.

5. Nathan, son of John and Mary, born at Newport, Jan. 24, 1774; married Phebe Chase. Children, — Sarah, born at Swansea, Dec. 15, 1804, married Joseph Earle; Nathan, born March 22, 1806; Mary Ann, May 31, 1708; John, Feb. 8, 1810; Phebe, Dec. 18, 1814, married Richard Peckham. He went from Newport to Swansea with his father in the Revolution.

6. Nathan, son of Nathan and Phebe, born March 22, 1806; married, first, Rebecca B. Hathaway; and, second, Sarah Olney. Children, — Lydia H., born at Fall River,

Jan. 22, 1838; Rebecca Judson, Oct. 30, 1849. He keeps at No. 9, Granite Block, Fall River.

6. John, son of Nathan and Phebe, born Feb. 8, 1810; married Rowena H. Pierce. Children, — Theodore E., born at Fall River, May 13, 1839; Ellen Scott, Sept. 28, 1843, died 1847; Charles A., June 17, 1846. He keeps at No. 9, Granite Block, Fall River.

5. William, son of John and Mary, born at Newport, July 5, 1776; married Ruth Chace. Children, — William Eben, born at Swansea, April 2, 1786; Ruth A., March 8, 1807, married O. H. Bush; William, born Oct. 18, 1808; Eben S., Oct. 16, 1810; Mary C., Feb. 3, 1812, married John Brayton; Epaphras J., born Dec. 31, 1814; George, Nov. 25, 1816; Sarah, June 14, 1819; Elizabeth, June 30, 1821, married John Lindsey. He was a sea-captain, and lived at Swansea.

6. Eben S., son of William and Ruth, born Oct. 16, 1810; married Sarah A. Cutts. Children, — Sarah E., born at Fall River in 1836; Charles M., at Swansea, 1841. Lives in Providence.

6. William, son of William and Ruth, born at Swansea, Oct. 18, 1808; married Eliza Bartlett. Children, — William Freeman, born at Taunton in 1838, died in 1840; Rufus S., born at Philadelphia, 1840; George, 1843; Mary B., 1845.

7. George, son of William, born Nov. 25, 1816; married Emeline Howell. Children, — Albert M., born at New-York City, Oct. 30, 1846; Henry H., at Philadelphia, Feb. 3, 1849; George E., at Swansea, Feb. 23, 1850. They live on the old place in Somerset, formerly Swansea.

6. Epaphras, son of William and Ruth, born at Swansea, Dec. 31, 1814; married Anna G. Luther. Children, — William A., born at Swansea, December, 1843; Herbert V., October, 1846; Lydia S., 1848; Charles, 1850.

Married Deborah Willson for second wife. Children, — Frederick M., born July, 1855; Anna E., 1857. Lives at Fall River.

4. Thomas, son of John and Sarah of Swansea, married. Children, — Elisha; Thomas. He died before the date of his father's will, 1750.

Joseph, son of John and Mary, born March 5, 1708; married Grace Pray, Jan. 25, 1733.

3. Joseph, son of John and Hannah, born at Freetown; married Sarah Deane, of Taunton, Dec. 29, 1708. Children, — Benjamin, born at Freetown, Nov. 13, 1711, died Oct. 25, 1732; Joseph, born Aug. 31, 1710; Elizabeth, April 19, 1713; Dorothy, Nov. 6, 1714; Samuel, Dec. 23, 1715; Hannah, April 22, 1719, single; Sarah, Oct. 3, 1721, died single; Phebe, born Feb. 6, 1717; Mary, Sept. 12, 1728, married Henry Brightman. His wife died Nov. 13, 1738. He was a prominent man in Freetown.

4. Joseph, son of Joseph and Sarah, born at Freetown, Aug. 31, 1710; married Mary, and was known as Esquire Reed. Children, — Joseph; Lydia, born in 1747; William; David, 1754; Hannah, who married a Whitwell.

5. Daniel, son of Joseph, was a sea-captain; married Mary, and died at Hispaniola, Aug. 5, 1795: his wife died Dec. 11, 1806.

6. James, son of Joseph and Mary, married Rebecca Burton, and was a settled minister many years in Attleborough. Children, — James H., born Aug. 30, 1801; Samuel Stillman, Nov. 14, 1803, died 1831.

7. James H., son of Rev. James and Rebecca, born Aug. 30, 1801; married Mary Ann Taylor of Providence. Children, — Cyrus B.; Sophia F. Married, for second wife, Rebecca C. Sessions; and, for third wife, Hannah Eddy. He keeps a wholesale dry-goods store in Providence.

3. Stephen, son of ——; married Ann Luther, Dec. 5, 1722. Children, — Samuel, born at Swansea, Feb. 28, 1723; Simeon, Feb. 10, 1726.

3. Benjamin, son of Joseph, born in 1700; married Hannah Chace, Dec. 1, 1720. Children, — Benjamin, born May 31, 1721, at Swansea; David, Jan. 20, 1723; Barnard, Feb. 12, 1725; Hannah, Jan. 29, 1730; Samuel, April 7, 1727; Stephen, Nov. 7, 1732. He died March 19, 1733, in his thirty-fourth year.

4. Benjamin, son of Benjamin and Hannah, born at Swansea, May 31, 1721; married Elizabeth. Children, — Elizabeth, born at Swansea, Sept. 3, 1750; Anna, April 16, 1754; Benjamin, Nov. 13, 1757; John, Oct. 28, 1761.

5. William, son of Joseph of Freetown, married, first, Ruth Evans; and, second, Dorothy, daughter of Deacon Samuel Read, his cousin. Children, — William; Joseph E.; John; Nancy; Rachel; Betsy; Anna; Ruth; Phebe, married Henry Brightman; Rebecca. He was deputy-sheriff.

6. William, son of William, married Prudence Valentine. Children, — Edmond, who lives, unmarried, on the old homestead; William V.; George W.; Samuel; John B.; Joseph B.; Ruth; Harriet; Rebecca; Elizabeth.

7. William V., son of William and Prudence, born Feb. 15, 1804; married Susanna Ruggles, April 10, 1845, and lives at No. 164, North Main Street, Fall River. Children, — William V., born at Fall River, Dec. 29, 1845, died; William V., born June 8, 1853; Henry R., March 10, 1857; a son, Feb. 4, 1859.

7. George W., son of William and Prudence, married Eveline Bordon. Children, — Edmond V., born December, 1842; Susan R., March, 1844; George F., Oct. 27, 1845. They live at No. 166, North Main Street, Fall River.

6. John, son of William, married Sarah Robinson, and lives at Fall River.

6. Joseph E., son of William and Ruth, born September, 1776; married Sybil Valentine, Jan. 17, 1803. Children, — Sarah Ann, born April 17, 1804; Joseph E., Jan. 25, 1806; Rachel, Dec. 5, 1809; Henry, May 3, 1812; Paddock Richmond, Nov. 16, 1807; James M., April 24, 1817; William S., Oct. 28, 1814; Francis B., July 14, 1819; Caroline V., March 20, 1825. He was a representative several years; was a justice of the peace, &c.; and was much in public life. He died July 6, 1857; and his wife died July 5. They both occupy the same grave.

7. Sarah Ann, daughter of Joseph E., Esq., born April 17, 1804; married Abraham Bowen, a man of eccentric views, who is a printer and teamster, and editor of a newspaper called the "All Sorts." They live at No. 31, Rock Street, Fall River. Children, — Allen A., born Feb. 15, 1830; Joseph A., Oct. 10, 1832; Sarah V., Dec. 8, 1839.

7. Joseph E., son of Joseph E., Esq., born at Fall River, Jan. 23, 1806; married Catherine Norris of New Jersey. Children, — Sybil V., born Sept. 13, 1848; Willet S., Oct. 15, 1852. His wife died Oct. 8, 1856. He lives at Fall River.

7. Paddock Richmond, son of Joseph E., Esq., born Nov. 16, 1807; married Belinda Morey, and lives at Taunton. Children, — Emily P., Harriet M., Francis Richmond.

7. Rachel, daughter of Joseph E., Esq., born Dec. 5, 1809; married Charles B. Weaver, Dec. 11, 1834, and lives at No. 14, Bank Street, Fall River. Children, — Lydia C., born May 17, 1837; Henry R., May 10, 1840; John W., May 10, 1840, died; Charles S., born Aug. 5, 1842; Frank B. R., April 30, 1845; Francis Milton, April 3, 1847; Louisa V., July 21, 1849; George K., died.

7. James M., son of Joseph E., Esq., born April 24, 1817; married Catherine Garners of New-York City. Children, — Eveline, Ella, Gertrude, Oscar. He lives in New-York City, and is a broker in Wall Street, No. 40.

7. Francis Bailey, son of Joseph E., born July 14, 1819; married Angelina Grinnell. Children, — Ella V., Walter G., Eliza. He lives at Collins Station, Clinton County, Ill.

7. Caroline, daughter of Joseph E., born March 20, 1825; married Milton A. Clide, and lives at Springfield. Children, — Eveline Louisa; Caroline M.; Harriet F.

6. Phebe, daughter of William and Ruth, married Henry Brightman of Fall River. Children, — Sheffield W., Samuel, Thomas, Joseph, William, and several daughters.

4. Samuel, son of Joseph and Sarah, born Dec. 23, 1715; married Marcia. Children, — Dorothy, born in 1745, married William Read, father of Joseph E., she being his second wife; Priscilla, born in 1747, married Pardon Davall; Ruth, born in 1750, died single. He was a prominent man in town-affairs, and known as Deacon Read; and, leaving no sons, his nephew and son-in-law, William Read, succeeded to his estate, — it being the same where Joseph E. Read lived and died. There is an old family burying-ground on this farm, and also another in an adjoining close, which is or has been the burying-place of some of the Brightman Family, in which is the grave of Mary Reed Brightman, wife of Henry.

5. Jonathan, son of Oliver and Martha, born Nov. 13, 1737; married Eunice Weaver, April 24, 1757. Children, — James; Ichabod, born in 1760; Jonathan; Lydia, who married a Weaver; Elizabeth, married Capt. Robert Gibbs; Susan, married Luther Willson; Eunice; Hannah, married a Whitwell. He lived at Steep Brook.

6. Ichabod, son of Jonathan, born in 1760; died Dec. 5, 1796, and his gravestone is standing in a burying-ground on an eminence in Steep-Brook Village. He was called Capt. Read.

6. Lieut. Jonathan, son of Jonathan, married Ellen Law of Somerset. Child, — Betsy, who married Spooner Winslow. Married, for second husband, William Baker; and, for

third, a Lobdell. Children, — Benjamin W.; Ichabod; James; Ruth, died Oct. 20, 1793, aged twenty-two years; Clarissa, married a Cornall; Richmond.

7. Benjamin W., son of Jonathan, married Cynthia Pierce. Children, — Mary, born April 21, 1823; Richmond, Jan. 21, 1825. They live at No. 62, Spring Street, Fall River.

4. John, son of John and Sarah, born at Freetown, Nov. 7, 1720; married Ruth Lawton, Jan. 9, 1745. Children, — George; Stephen, died unmarried; Martin; Daniel.

5. George, son of John and Ruth, married Ruth Hathaway. Children, — George; Firman; Lawton; Washington; Emery; Betsy, who married Asa Read; Susan, married Warner Cook; Sarah, married Warren Read, brother of Asa; Almira, married Thomas D. Chandler; Ruth, married Abel Davis, and married, for second husband, Benjamin Ellsbury.

6. George, son of George and Ruth, married Anna, daughter of Oliver. Child, — George. He died, and she married Perley Willson.

6. Firman, son of George and Ruth, married Elizabeth Reynolds, and settled at a village, in Fall River, called New Boston, near Steep Brook. Children, — Firman, born at Steep Brook, May 27, 1825; Elizabeth, who married Andrew Wade; Julia W., married Leonard Tabor of Little Compton; Sarah, died young; Emily C., married Robert Frazier; Sidney H.

7. Firman, son of Firman, married Susan B. Morey of Warwick. Children, — Walter, born at Fall River, Dec. 18, 1852; Maria Louisa, died young. They live at No. 19, Bank Street.

5. Martin, son of John and Ruth, married Abigail Hathaway, sister to the wife of his brother George. Child, — Frederick.

5. Daniel, son of John and Ruth, married Sarah Whit-

well, daughter of Mr. Whitwell and Hannah Read. Children, — Daniel, George, John, Bradford, James, Oliver, Nancy.

6. Daniel, son of Daniel and Sarah, married Mary Winslow. Child, — Mary Pelham, born Feb. 13, 1815. His widow lives at No. 44, Bank Street, Fall River.

6. George, son of Daniel and Ruth, married Anna Bennett. Children, — Daniel, Bradford, Harriet. Married, for second wife, Nancy Chase. Child, — Phebe. He lives at Steep Brook, and is a retired sea-captain.

6. Nancy, daughter of Daniel and Ruth, married Joseph Bennett in 1826. Children, — James W., born July 3, 1827; John R., May 13, 1829; Sally R., Dec. 23, 1830, died in 1844; George, born March 10, 1831, died young; Anna, born Dec. 3, 1833; George R., Aug. 29, 1835; Phebe, Aug. 4, 1837, died young. They live at Steep Brook.

CHAPTER XII.

JOHN READE AND OTHERS.

JOHN READE, one of the early settlers in Boston, was made freeman, May 13, 1640, and had a grant of eleven heads or forty-four acres at Muddy River, Feb. 20, 1640; was an appraiser of Thomas Brittlestone's estate, Oct. 30, 1643. Children, — John, born June 29, 1640; Thomas, Sept. 20, 1641. He was known as Major John Reade; and there are some circumstances tending to show that he was brother to Col. Reade of Salem, Capt. Reade of Boston, and Col. Edward Reade of England, who was father-in-law of John Winthrop, jun., the first Governor of Connecticut. Major Reade moved to Barbadoes, and was an extensive merchant. His family appears to have been in some way related to the family of Abraham Palmer, a prominent member of the Massachusetts Colony. The mercantile house appears to have been represented at a later date by one Joseph Reade, who was probably a son of Major John.

1. JOHN READ was one of the first settlers of Newtown, on Long Island, in 1655. Children, — John and Joseph, who were freeholders in Newtown in 1686. They left Newtown; and I find William, son of one of them, in Ewing, N.J., about the year 1700, who was one of the first settlers of that place. William, a distinguished nursery-man of Elizabeth, N.J., is supposed to be of this family.

STEPHEN READE, born in 1611, came to America in 1631, and lived at one time in Lynn.

BENJAMIN REEDE was of Duxbury, and capable of bearing arms in 1643.

CHAPTER XIII.

JOHN READ OF ALEXANDRIA, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

JOHN READ came from London in 1725, and settled in Alexandria, District of Columbia; married Miss Nancy Sebastian, a Spanish lady, and sister to the Hon. Benjamin Sebastian, formerly Governor of Louisiana. Children, — John; Benjamin; Philip, born in 1759; Heusby, who married a Jones; Nancy, married a Southerland of Virginia; Ann, married a Murphy; Rachel, married a Levins. He moved to Kentucky, and settled at Lewisville in 1791. He was a merchant-tailor.

2. John, son of John, married a Miss Foster. Children, — John, who is a distinguished lawyer in Tennessee; Anthony, who went to Indiana, and was a representative to the Legislature many years; James T., who lives in Indiana, and has been senator twenty-two years, and Register of the Land Office under the United-States Government many years. He was a captain in the United-States Army, and was in the battle of the Blue Licks with the Indians.

3. Benjamin, son of John, settled first in that part of Kentucky which now forms a portion of Ohio, and finally moved to Philadelphia in 1787. Children, — George C., a commodore in the navy, and lives in Philadelphia; Benjamin S., who was appointed inspector of the navy in 1841.

3. Philip, son of John, born in 1759, and died in 1828; was United-States senator from Maryland from 1806 to '13;

married Anna Adgeloth, daughter of Capt. Adgeloth, of French extraction. Children, — Edward, born in 1814, a distinguished lawyer in Brownville, Tenn., of the firm of Reed and Shepherd; Henry; William; George; John; Burgan; Joshua; Philip.

3. Heusby, son of John, lived in Kentucky; married Charlotte Kirck. Children, — Lewis; John; Heusby; Philip; William, who was in the battle of the River Rasin; Lucretia; Nancy; Charlotte; Sally; Rachel; Mary.

4. Lewis, son of Heusby, married Alcy Brown of Virginia. Children, — James; William, an attorney-at-law in Hoyenville, Ky.; Nathaniel; Nancy; Henry; Charles; Lewis; Joseph; Joshua; Wesley; Mary; Burgan.

5. Henry, son of Lewis, was in the Mexican War as color-bearer to Col. Andrews, and was badly wounded in three places, but has recovered, and has since been in the Legislature of Kentucky. A sword was presented to him by the Legislature, which cost two hundred and fifty dollars. He is a lawyer by profession.

CHAPTER XIV.

JOHN READ, SEN., AND HIS DESCENDANTS IN AMERICA.*

First Generation in America. — JOHN READ, Sen., descended from an ancient and honorable family originally seated in England, was born in Dublin, Ire., in the last year of the reign of King James the Second, A.D. 1688. His parents were persons of high position, wealth, and influence. Of a bold and adventurous disposition, he early determined to visit the British Colonies in America. This determination, in spite of much opposition on the part of his parents, he carried into effect after reaching man's estate. Of his early experiences in this country, little is known. Tradition says, that, after remaining here some time, he was so much pleased with the new country, that he decided to cast his lot in it for life. He accordingly bought lands in Cecil County, in the Province of Maryland, and became a planter. Shortly after taking this important step, Mr. Read's father wrote to him from Dublin, commanding him instantly to return to Ireland, and at the same time informing him that the penalty of disobedience to this command would be the loss of his inheritance, which should pass to his adopted nephew. Notwithstanding this, Mr. Read resolved to remain, and replied to his father to that effect, declaring that he preferred the adventurous and stirring life in the Colonies to the quiet and luxuries of the home he had left in the Old World.

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* This chapter has been communicated by JOHN MEREDITH READ, Jun., member of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, &c.

His birthright having been given to another, and the ties which had bound him to the land of his birth being severed, his love for the country of his choice was increased tenfold; and he felt that he was now entirely identified with it.

He soon married Miss Mary Howell, an aunt of the late Gov. Howell of New Jersey, a lady of fine personal appearance and cultivated mind, whose family (originally Welsh) had been for some time established in the Province, where it held a highly honorable position.

Mr. Read, after his marriage, continued to reside at his plantation in Maryland Province until the birth of his eldest son George. Soon after this event, in the year 1734, he removed to the head-waters of the Christiana River, in the Province of Delaware. Here he possessed a plantation, upon which was a spacious mansion, surrounded by the usual offices and out-buildings, all built of brick, in the old Colonial style. There were besides upon the plantation a large storehouse, and a wharf situated on the Christiana Creek. He held other property in Christiana and its vicinity, and continued to retain his plantation in Maryland. Mr. Read owned also, like many of the landed gentry of his day, a large flouring-mill, which was situated at North-east. This mill contained some rare and costly machinery, which was the object of general admiration. Gen. Washington, when a very young man, visited and inspected it at the request of his brother, who was about to erect a mill upon his estate, and desired to have similar machinery. In that day, and in that portion of the Colonies, a mill was considered a necessary adjunct to an estate.

Mr. Read continued to reside at his place near Christiana during the remainder of his life. He was a prominent member of the Presbyterian Church in Christiana, and was greatly interested in its establishment and subsequent pro-

gress.* Mr. Read departed this life, at his mansion in the Delaware Province, on the fifteenth day of June, 1756, aged sixty-eight years. Mrs. Read survived her husband many years, but never married again. She deceased on the 22d of September, 1784. The children of John Read, sen., and Mary his wife, were — (1.) George ; (2.) William ; (3.) John ; (4.) Thomas ; (5.) James ; (6.) Mary ; (7.) Andrew.

Second Generation in America. — George Read, the eldest child of John Read, sen., and Mary his wife, was born on his father's plantation, in Cecil County, in the Province of Maryland, on the 18th of September, 1732. He received a classical education ; commencing his studies at a seminary at Chester, in the Province of Pennsylvania, and continuing them afterwards under the care of that very learned man and admirable teacher, the Rev. Dr. Francis Allison, then residing at New London, in the Province above mentioned. Among his fellow-pupils at the latter place were Charles Thomson, the able Secretary of Congress ; Hugh Williamson, a member of that body, from North Carolina ; and Dr. Ewing, for many years Provost of the University of Pennsylvania, and eminent as a mathematician and astronomer. At the age of seventeen, Mr. Read commenced the study of the law in the office of John Moland, Esq., a distinguished lawyer of the city of Philadelphia. He applied himself with so much ability, industry, and integrity, to his professional duties and studies, that Mr. Moland soon testified his respect and esteem by relinquishing to Mr. Read a part of his practice. At the early age of nineteen, Mr. Read was called to the bar in the city of Philadelphia. On the 6th of March, 1754, he removed to New Castle, in the Province of Dela-

* In the original deed, dated 1735, conveying to the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church a lot of land upon which a church edifice was to be erected, the name of John Read, sen., stands first; and, in the body of the deed, his name is mentioned.

ware, and commenced the practice of the law in the three lower counties on Delaware and the adjacent ones of Maryland. He found himself in the midst of powerful competitors, — men of unquestioned talents, and thoroughly learned in the law, — among whom were John Ross, then Attorney-General; Benjamin Chew, Joseph Galloway, George Ross, John Dickinson, and Thomas M'Kean. To have rapidly acquired a lucrative practice, and achieved a high reputation for great legal abilities, in the midst of such rivals, is of itself sufficient praise. On the 30th of April, 1763, he succeeded John Ross as Attorney-General. Mr. Read held this office until elected a delegate to the Congress of 1774; when he resigned it, saying that he would not enter that august body trammelled with an office from his Britannic majesty. Mr. Read was very eminent as a lawyer. His profound legal knowledge, his solidity of judgment, and his habit of close and clear reasoning, gained him great influence with juries and judges; and he evinced such unswerving integrity in all his acts, that he was popularly styled "the honest lawyer." His studies were not confined to the law; for he ever maintained an intimate acquaintance with works on science and art, as also with those of classic and miscellaneous literature. In the year 1763, Mr. Read married a daughter of the Rev. George Ross, for more than fifty years the Rector of Immanuel Church, in the town of New Castle, Del. Mrs. Read possessed a naturally fine understanding, which had been thoroughly cultivated by her father. Her person was beautiful, her manners elegant, and her piety exemplary. In 1765, Mr. Read was elected a member of the Assembly of Delaware: this station he continued to occupy for twelve successive years. About this time, he was one of the committees which reported the numerous addresses made to George the Third by the Delaware Legislature. He was also active and prominent in urging the non-importation

agreement; and, as Chairman of the General Committee for its enforcement, rendered valuable services to the cause.

On the 13th of August, 1774, Mr. Read was elected by the General Assembly of Delaware, together with Cæsar Rodney and Thomas M'Kean, to represent the State in the American Congress, which met in the month of September in Philadelphia. From this period he continued to represent the State of Delaware in Congress during the whole Revolutionary War. On the 4th of July, 1776,* he signed the Declaration of Independence. Joseph Galloway soon after tauntingly told him that he signed with a halter about his neck. Mr. Read replied, that it was a measure demanded by the crisis; and he was prepared to meet any consequences which might ensue. In September, 1776, Mr. Read was President of the Convention which framed the first Constitution of Delaware. In 1777, he was President of the State of Delaware. On the 5th of December, 1782, he was appointed a Judge of the Court of Appeals in Admiralty Cases. This appointment was announced to him in the most flattering manner by Mr. Boudinot, then President of Congress. Mr. Read held this office till its abolition. In 1785, he was appointed by Congress one of the commissioners who constituted a Federal Court created by that body (conformably with the petitions of the States of New York and Massachusetts) for the purpose of determining a controversy which had arisen in relation to territory. In 1786, he was nominated by the Legislature of Delaware as one of their delegates to Annapolis to consult with commissioners from other States relative to the formation of a system of commercial regulations for the Union. In 1787, he was a member of the Convention which framed the Constitution of the United

* Nominally, none of the members of Congress really signed until the 2d August.

States; *being one of the five signers of the Declaration of Independence who were also framers of the Constitution.* Immediately after the adoption of the Constitution, he was elected to the Senate of the United States. At the expiration of his term, he was re-elected. He resigned his seat in the Senate in September, 1793; and was immediately appointed Chief-Justice of the Supreme Court of Delaware. He performed the duties of this high station with great ability and integrity until the autumn (21st September) of 1798; when, after a short illness, he died at his residence * in New Castle.

Mrs. Read † survived him, dying in 1802. The children of George Read, and Gertrude his wife, were — John, George, William, and Mary.

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* The mansion of George Read ("the signer"), at New Castle, was situated on the bank of the river Delaware, of which it commanded an extensive view, and in the midst of an extensive garden which ran back to the grounds where were the offices and stables. It was a large, old-fashioned mansion, built of brick, with a spacious hall running through it; on one side of which was a very large drawing-room; and, on the other, the library and dining-room; and, still further in the rear, a roomy kitchen. Above were the spacious sleeping apartments. In the garden about the house bloomed a profusion of flowers, among which the tulips were particularly conspicuous on account of their great variety and beauty. Here Mr. Read resided for many years in the style of the Colonial gentry, who maintained a state and etiquette which has long since disappeared.

Mr. Read always travelled on his circuits in a yellow chariot drawn by bay horses.

There are two original portraits of George Read, — one by Gilbert Stuart, the other by Charles Edge Pine, — and both painted about the year 1785. John Meredith Read, jun., of Albany, N.Y., has a copy of these portraits of his great-grandfather, made by Sully, the distinguished artist and pupil of Gilbert Stuart.

† Mrs. Read's father, the Rev. George Ross, was, for more than fifty years, Rector of the Episcopal Church in New Castle. George Ross, jun., an eminent lawyer, a signer of the Declaration of Independence, and a Judge of the Court of Appeals in Admiralty, was a brother of Mrs. Read's; as were also John Ross, Attorney-General under George the Second; and the Rev. Æneas Ross, who became Rector of Immanuel Church soon after the decease of his father in 1754. One of the sisters of Mrs. Read married Gen. William Thompson, a distinguished officer in the Revolution; another sister married Mr. Biddle, who was presiding officer of the Pensylvania legislative body before the Revolution; still another sister married the Rev. William Thompson, Rector of an Episcopal church in the Province of Maryland.

Third Generation in America. — John Read, jun., son of George Read (the signer), and Gertrude his wife, was born at his father's mansion at New Castle, in the present State of Delaware, on the 7th July, 1769. When only seven years old, he was a witness to the attack made by the row-galleys upon the "Roebuck" and "Liverpool" frigates off the mouth of Christiana Creek; and afterwards accompanied his mother in her various removals during the Revolutionary War, which the exposed situation of their residence at New Castle made necessary for their safety. These things were often referred to in after-life. After graduating at Princeton College in 1787, then under the presidency of the Rev. Dr. Witherspoon, an old and intimate friend of his father's, Mr. Read commenced the study of the law at New Castle, in the office of his father; and, being admitted to the bar, removed to the city of Philadelphia, where he practised with ability and success for many years. In 1796, Mr. Read married Miss Martha Meredith, eldest daughter of Samuel Meredith, the first Treasurer of the United States, and eminent among the patriots of the Revolution for his zeal, sacrifices, and services in behalf of his country.*

Mrs. Read's mother was a daughter of Dr. Thomas Cadwalader, and sister of Gen. John Cadwalader, the brave and active Revolutionary hero, who challenged and wounded Gen. Conway because he had traduced and endeavored to supplant Washington. George Clymer, a signer of the De-

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* Of Reese Meredith, the father of the Treasurer, a very wealthy merchant of Philadelphia, the following well-known anecdote is told: —

When Gen. Washington was a young man, and before he had attained distinction, he visited Philadelphia, and made his appearance at the Coffee House, where he had not a single acquaintance, and was therefore unnoticed. Mr. Meredith coming in, and finding a stranger in this awkward situation, went up to him, took him by the hand, inquired his name, introduced himself, took him to his house, and behaved with so much kindness and hospitality, as not only to induce his guest to continue at his house while he remained in the city, but afterwards to make it his home when he visited Philadelphia.

claration of Independence, and a framer of the Constitution of the United States, was an uncle of Mrs. Read's.

In 1797, Mr. Read was appointed Agent-General of the United States to act on their behalf in relation to such claims as might be made against the United States before the commissioners appointed to carry into effect the sixth article of Jay's treaty. Some of his labors are to be found in a book, published in Philadelphia, called "Arguments on British Debts," which contains some able papers written by Mr. Read.

Mr. Read was also for some years a member of the City Council; and, in 1815, was elected to the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania, and was appointed Chairman of the important Committee on Roads and Inland Navigation, composed, at that day, of thirty-four members. In 1816, he was re-elected, and, while presiding over the deliberations of this committee, took a severe cold, which produced an illness which brought him to the brink of the grave. Mrs. Read, who went to Harrisburg to tend her husband, fell a sacrifice to her devotion to him.

Having recovered from the immediate effects of his illness, Mr. Read was elected to the Senate to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Nicholas Biddle, Esq.; and, whilst a member of that body, was elected by them, in 1818, a director on the part of the State of the Philadelphia Bank. In 1817, on the revival of the office, he was appointed City Solicitor by the Mayor, Gen. Robert Wharton. In 1819, he was elected President of the Philadelphia Bank, and ably and faithfully filled this office until his resignation in 1841. A few months afterwards, he removed to the city of Trenton; where, amidst the friends and connections of his wife, he spent his remaining days, surrounded by his books, which formed a never-failing source of pleasure and information. He died on the 13th of July, 1854, at the very advanced age of eighty-five, leaving a large estate.

Mr. Read was a communicating member of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and, for many years, the rector's warden of the united churches of Christ Church, St. Peter's, and St. James's; and, upon his removal to Trenton, took a deep interest in the welfare of St. Michael's Church at that place. He was characterized by ability, sound judgment, and industry, coupled with scrupulous integrity, modesty, piety, and benevolence. He was, moreover, of a very courteous and pleasing address; ever evincing the thorough politeness of the old school.

He was a devoted husband, a kind father, and a warm friend; a man of peaceful habits. He lived through three wars (two with the mother-country); and he always remembered with pleasure that his maternal uncle, George Ross, was a signer of the Declaration of Independence; and that his own father, George Read, and his wife's uncle, George Clymer, were two out of the five signers who were also framers of the Constitution of the United States.

Mr. Read married but once. He had three children,—John Meredith, Henry, and Margaret Meredith. Of these, only one (John Meredith Read) survived him. Henry Read, his second child, born at Philadelphia in 1802, was a physician of excellent abilities, thorough education, and industry. He died at Carbondale, Penn., at the early age of twenty-six, unmarried. Mr. Read's only daughter, Margaret Meredith Read, died at Trenton, N.J., in the early part of March, 1854, unmarried.

Fourth Generation in America.—John Meredith Read, eldest son of John Read, and Margaret his wife, was born at Philadelphia in the year 1800. He married, on the 20th of March, 1828, Miss Marshall of Boston, Mass. Their first child, Emily, was born in December, 1829. They had, besides, an only son, John Meredith Read, jun.; and also three daughters, who died in infancy. Mrs. Read died in the month of February, 1841.

Miss Emily M. Read married W. H. Hyde, Esq., in June, 1849; and died in March, 1854, leaving one daughter (*sixth Generation in America*), Emma Habicht Hyde, born November, 1851.

Mr. Read married, in 1855, a sister of the Hon. J. R. Thompson, United-States senator from New Jersey. He has no children by his second marriage.

He is one of the ablest lawyers in the country, and filled the various offices, from City Solicitor to that of Chief-Justice of Pennsylvania; which office he now holds. He has also been a prominent member of Congress.

Fifth Generation in America. — John Meredith Read, jun., only son and only surviving child of John Meredith Read by his first wife, was born at Philadelphia; was educated at Brown University; and travelled extensively in this country, in Europe, and the West Indies. He is a lawyer, residing at Albany, N.Y.; where he married, on the 7th April, 1859, the youngest daughter of Hannon Pumpelly, Esq. He is a member of various literary and historical societies, and devotes a portion of his time to literary labors.

Of his generation, Mr. Read is the only surviving representative of George Read, the signer, who bears the family name. He has in his possession a number of interesting and valuable family portraits and relics.

When resident in Providence, R.I., Mr. Read was captain of a fine company, — the "National Cadets," or "Tigers." This company has always been noted for its thorough drill and soldierly bearing. Mr. Read also served as aide-de-camp to his excellency Gov. Hoppin, with the rank of colonel.

Second Generation in America. — William Read, second son of John Read, sen., and Mary his wife, was born at his father's mansion, at Christiana, in the Delaware Province, in the year 1735 (?). He was a merchant, and resided for

some time at Philadelphia, and afterwards in the Havana in the West Indies, where he was assassinated in the year 1763. He was married, and left one child, a daughter, who died unmarried.

Second Generation in America. — John Read, 2d, third son of John Read, sen., was born at Christiana in the latter part of the year 1737 (?). He was a man of independent fortune, and had no regular profession, but attended to his own and the family property. He never married. He died at Pottsgrove, Penn., in the year 1808, at an advanced age.

Second Generation in America. — Thomas Read, fourth son of John Read, sen., was born at his father's mansion, at Christiana, about the year 1740. He was a captain in the Continental Navy. He was present at the battle of Trenton, and commanded the guns which raked the stone bridge across the Assanpink. During the war, he commanded the thirty-two-gun frigate "George Washington." Several years after the close of the war, in 1787, he effected for the first time the out-of-season passage to China (*vide* "Encyclopædia Americana"). Capt. Read married a widow (Mrs. Field of New Jersey), who had two children by her first marriage. One of them (the son) was the father of the Hon. Richard S. Field of Princeton: the other child (a daughter) was the mother of Commodore R. F. Stockton.

Capt. Read resided at Whitehill, near Bordentown, N.J.; and his mansion was for a number of years the seat of much elegant hospitality. Capt. Read died A.D. ——. He had no children.

Second Generation in America. — James Read, fifth son of John Read, sen., was born in his father's mansion, at Christiana, in the Province of Delaware, A.D. 1743. He was a lieutenant-colonel in the war of the Revolution, and served with great credit at the battles of Trenton, Princeton, Brandywine, and Germantown. He was first-paymaster to

the Continental Navy; also commissioner of the navy for the Middle States during the Revolution. He was, besides, a member of the Supreme Executive Council of Pennsylvania.

He married Miss Susan Cowey, and had five children; all of whom died unmarried, except his third child, Susan Read, born twenty-fifth day of December, 1776: she married J. F. Eckard, Esq., Danish consul for the Middle States. They had three children, — (1.) Mary Read Eckard, born 1803; died 1823, unmarried. (2.) James, now the Rev. Dr. James Read Eckard. (3.) Frederick S., M.D., afterwards a skilful practising physician of Philadelphia, who died on the 20th June, 1856. Mrs. Susan Read Eckard still survives, in her eighty-fourth year, and is a truly remarkable woman: she is still able to hold a pen; and her letters to her friends are always full of originality, both in thought and expression.

Col. James Read died at Philadelphia the 31st December, 1822, aged seventy-nine years. His wife died some years before him.

Second Generation in America. — Mary Read, sixth child and only daughter of John Read, sen., and Mary his wife, was born at her father's mansion, at Christiana, about the year 1745. In the year 1769, she married Gunning Bedford, sen. He had served in the war of 1755 with the rank of lieutenant in the Pennsylvania levy, and was a gentleman of independent fortune. As lieutenant-colonel of the famous Delaware Regiment, he took a prominent part in the Revolutionary War. He distinguished himself in various battles, and was wounded at the battle of the White Plains while gallantly leading his regiment to the attack.* After the war, he filled a variety of important public offices.

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* John Meredith Read, jun., of Albany, N.Y., has in his possession the sword which belonged to his great-uncle, Gov. Bedford; and which was used by him in the old French War in 1755–6, and also in the various battles of the Revolution.

He finally became Governor of Delaware; and died, while holding that office, on the 30th September, 1797. His wife survived him; dying at Pottsgrove, Penn., in 1820. They never had any children.

Second Generation in America. — Andrew Read, seventh child of John Read, sen., was born at Christiana, in the Delaware Province, A.D. ——. He was a planter. He lived and died in Cecil County, Md. He was married, and had one son, William, who, after the war of 1812, removed to Ohio. There are none of his descendants living who bear the family name.

Third Generation in America. — George Read, 2d, the second son of George Read the signer, and Gertrude his wife, was born at his father's mansion in New Castle, in the then Province of Delaware, on the 29th of August, 1765. He resided at New Castle, Del. He was a very distinguished lawyer, and filled a number of important offices. He married his cousin, Miss Mary Thompson, a daughter of the distinguished Revolutionary officer, Gen. William Thompson. He had seven children (*fourth Generation in America*), — (1.) George, born June 4, 1788; died 1st November, 1856. (2.) William Thompson Read, born 22d August, 1792, married a great-niece of James Booth, the able Secretary of Delaware during the Revolution. Mr. William T. Read is by profession a lawyer. Being entirely independent, he has devoted much time to literary pursuits, and has collected materials for a life of George Read the signer. Mr. Read was Secretary of Legation when the late Cæsar A. Rodney was Minister to Buenos Ayres. He has no children. (3.) Gunning Bedford Read, who died in 1826, unmarried. (4.) Charles Henry Read, born 1800; died 1834, unmarried. (5.) John Dickinson Read, born 1803; died 1831, unmarried. (6.) Catharine Ann Read, born 1794; married, in 1812, Allan M'Lane, M.D., brother of the Secretary of

State of the United States: Mrs. M'Lane died in 1826. (7.) Anna Gertrude, born 1805; unmarried.

George Read died on the 3d September, 1836, aged seventy-one years.

Third Generation in America. — William Read, third son of George Read the signer, was born at his father's mansion, in New Castle, on the 10th October, 1767. He was a merchant, largely engaged in the East-India trade, and resided at Philadelphia. He married, on the 22d September, 1796, Ann M'Call, whose family had been long honorably known in Philadelphia, where it held a high position. Mr. Read died at Philadelphia on the 25th September, 1846, aged seventy-nine years; Mrs. Read, the 17th July, 1845, aged seventy-three years. They had five children (*fourth Generation in America*): (1.) George Read, for many years consul at Malaga, and now residing in Philadelphia, unmarried. (2.) Mary Read, who married Coleman Fisher, Esq., and has five children, — Elizabeth Rhodes Fisher, married to Eugene A. Livingston, Esq., of Livingston Manor; Coleman P. Fisher, William Read Fisher, Sallie West Fisher, and Mary Read Fisher. (3.) William Archibald Read, ununmarried; residing on a large plantation, which he owns, near New Orleans. (4.) John Read, married; no children; died in 1845. (5.) Samuel M'Call Read, born 1805; married, and lives on his plantation near New Orleans: he has no children.

Third Generation in America. — Mary Read, fourth child and only daughter of George Read the signer, and Gertrude his wife, was born Sept. 1, 1770. She married Matthew Pearce, Esq., of Poplar Neck, Cecil County, Md.; and died there on the 12th of January, 1816. Her eldest daughter, Anastasia Gertrude Pearce, became the second wife of Dr. Louis M'Lane, the brother of the Secretary of State of the United States.

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CHAPTER XV.

JOHN READ OF NORWALK, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

1. JOHN READ, from Cornwall, Eng., born in 1633, had been a subaltern in Cromwell's army, and a soldier from the age of sixteen. On the restoration of Charles II., he fled to this country, and settled first in Providence, and married a Miss Derby. He moved to Rye, in West-Chester County, N.Y., in 1684, and remained there three or four years. He then moved to Norwalk, Conn., on Five-mile River, at a place called Read's Farms; and his name is found upon the records of Norwalk in 1687. He died in Norwalk, in the ninety-eighth year of his age, in 1730; and was interred in a tomb on his own farm. His house in Norwalk was used as a substitute for a meeting-house. He was strongly marked with that strong will and high-toned moral character so peculiar to Cromwell's officers. Children, — John; Thomas; William; Mary, who married David Tuttle; Abigail.

2. Thomas, son of John, 1st, of Norwalk, married Mary Olmstead, May 9, 1694. Children, — Mary, born May 2, 1695; Eunice, Feb. 26, 1696; Thomas, May 7, 1699; John, Aug. 7, 1701; Elizabeth, Oct. 7, 1703; Ann, July 6, 1706; Temperance, Oct. 16, 1708; Elias, March 16, 1711; Nathan, Aug. 13, 1713.

3. Thomas, son of Thomas of Norwalk, born May 7, 1699; married Sarah Bennam, June 2, 1730. Children, — Thomas,

born 1731; Ebenezer, April 3, 1732; Jesse, July 29, 1734; Peter, April 3, 1736; Sarah, June 19, 1736; Eli, Sept. 24, 1743.

3. Nathan, son of Thomas of Norwalk, born Aug. 13, 1713; married Mary Peck, Dec. 22, 1737. Children,— Mary, born July 17, 1740; Ann, Jan. 18, 1742; Hannah, July 16, 1745; Nathan, July 27, 1747; David, Sept. 2, 1750; Elizabeth, June 7, 1752; Elias, Nov. 3, 1756.

3. John, son of Thomas of Norwalk, born Aug. 7, 1701. Children,— Josiah, John, Ithiel, Jonathan.

3. Elias, son of Thomas of Norwalk, born March 10, 1711. Children,— Elias, Joel, Daniel, Stephen, John.

4. John, son of John, 3d, of Norwalk, married Abby Whitney, July 6, 1775. Children,— John, born Nov. 1, 1778; Moses, Dec. 14, 1787; Roswell, June 8, 1795.

John, son of Thomas, with his brother Elias; Moses, son of Eleazer; and Moses, jun.,— were among the principal grantees of the towns of New Haven, Middlebury, Salisbury, and Cornwall, Vt., about the year 1760; and Readsborough, Vt., which was granted to John Read and twenty-nine others in 1770.

2. John, son of John of Norwalk, born in 1697; married Miss Tuttle. Children,— John, Daniel, Eleazer, Samuel, William, Mary, Experience, Mehetabel.

3. John, son of John, 2d, of Norwalk. Children,— John; Thaddeus.

3. Daniel, son of John, 2d, of Norwalk, born in 1697. Children, — Daniel; Abraham; Eliakim; James, born March 29, 1736; Benjamin; Ezra, born March 16, 1740; Elijah, settled in Amenia, N.Y.; Elizabeth; Lydia; Joanna. He built a mansion-house on the old paternal estate in Norwalk, which is now standing in good condition, and likely to be preserved another century. The antiquated style of the house, and faded images about it, make it an interesting

relic of former days. He was a man of considerable distinction in his day. He died in 1775.

3. Eleazer, son of John, 2d, of Norwalk. Children, — Moses and Eleazer, who were among the principal grantees of the towns of New Haven, Middlebury, Salisbury, and Cornwall, about the year 1760; and including what is now Vergennes, in the State of Vermont.

3. William, son of John, 2d, married Rachel Kellogg, Nov. 28, 1721. Children, — William Joseph, born Feb. 17, 1723; Joanna, Feb. 29, 1725; Hannah, Nov. 23, 1727; Sarah, Dec. 27, 1730; Jacob.

3. Samuel, son of John, 2d. Children, — Samuel, Abijah, Timothy, Nathaniel, Hezekiah, Hannah, Phebe.

4. Timothy, son of Samuel. Children, — Uriah; Timothy; Lebbeus; Ezra; Thaddeus; Rufus; Susanna; Sarah; Betsy; Polly; Nancy, born in 1786.

5. Rufus, son of Timothy, born in 1788. Children, — Ezra, John and Edwin, Ezra and Jane Maria. The sons all died young.

6. Jane Maria, daughter of Rufus, married Richard H. Mitchell of Nantucket. They live in Hudson, N.Y. He is a retired merchant.

5. Daniel, son of James and Joanna, born April 15, 1761; settled in Camillus, N.Y., about the year 1801, and died in about one year after. Children, — William, Nancy, Joanna, Maria.

6, William, son of Daniel, born April, 1783; settled near the residence of his parents; but finally removed to Baldwinsville, Onondaga County, N.Y., where he now resides. Children, — Daniel, born Sept. 14, 1803; John M., August, 1807, died in Jackson County, Mich., in 1844; Nancy, married J. B. Chapin of Olivet, Mich.; Maria, died young; Elizabeth, married Rev. Charles Jerome of the Presbyterian Church, Cattaraugus County, N.Y. She died in 1858.

7. Daniel, son of William, born Sept. 14, 1803; married Cinda T. Meigs of Oswego, N.Y., May 1, 1828. Children, — William, born May 5, 1829; Helen, Oct. 28, 1831; Kate, Dec. 14, 1833; James H., born in Illinois, Jan. 26, 1836; Jennie, March 26, 1838; Harriet Elizabeth, May 15, 1841, died Sept. 6, 1844. He lives at Fulton City, Ill.

8. William, son of Daniel and Cinda, born May 5, 1829; married Anna M. Johnson, July 15, 1857. Child, — Emma, born in 1858.

8. Helen, daughter of Daniel and Cinda, born Oct. 28, 1831; married William P. Culbertson, Oct. 28, 1852. Children, — Carrie J., born April, 1854; Charles, 1857. She died Nov. 6, 1857.

8. Kate, daughter of Daniel and Cinda, born Dec. 14, 1833; married J. B. Hall, Nov. 5, 1856. Child, — a daughter, born in 1858.

4. William, son of William and Rachel, married Mary Nash of New Canaan, Conn. Children, — William, who, with Lieut. Gilmore, was the first to enter the fort at Stony Point, and was also at the massacre of Paoli; Matthew; Jacob; Eli; Isaac; Abigail, who married Moses Ells; Mary, who married a Fitch; Nathan, who lived at Ballston Springs.

5. Isaac, son of William and Mary, married Elizabeth Lockwood, and at one time lived in Nova Scotia; but died in Stamford, which was in the neighborhood of Norwalk. Children, — Isaac, born Feb. 1, 1773; Nathan H., 1776; Elizabeth, 1774, married Benjamin Hoyt of New-York City.

6. Isaac, son of Isaac and Elizabeth, born Feb. 1, 1773; married Elizabeth Ann Wiggins, Dec. 14, 1799. Children, — Martha, born at Frankford, Pa., Oct. 10, 1801; Isaac T., November, 1805, who was shipwrecked at Matamoras; George W., born July 31, 1817. He is now associated with his son, in active business, at the age of eighty-eight years.

7. Martha A., daughter of Isaac, married Conrad Myers, a piano-forte manufacturer, of 728, Arch Street, Philadelphia. Children, — Isaac R., born 1834 ; Charles E., Feb. 6, 1838.

7. Osman, son of Isaac and Elizabeth, married Anna M. Saunders, May 1, 1833. Children, — Isaac G., Eva Anna, Osman, Reginald H., John S., Anna M., George W., William B., Henry, Conrad M., Charles E. He lives at Great Bend, Susquehannah County, Pa.

7. George W., son of Isaac and Elizabeth, born July 31, 1817 ; married Anna M. Gebhard, March 28, 1839. Children, — Lewis G., born at Philadelphia, Oct. 11, 1840 ; Anna E., Dec. 19, 1842 ; Isaac, Aug. 4, 1844 ; George W., Feb. 4, 1847 ; Martha M., Sept. 1, 1854 ; William B. S., March 19, 1857. He was one of the progenitors of the Native-American party in 1844, and was their candidate for Sheriff for the County of Philadelphia. He is now in the jewelry business, in connection with his father, at No. 240, North Second Street, Philadelphia. The want of genealogical knowledge is significantly illustrated in the fact, that George W. was in New-York City, upon business, when his cousin Henry was blown up, and was compelled to serve on the jury of inquest, and reluctantly served ; but did not know the connection between himself and the deceased till some years afterwards.

2. Nathan H., son of Isaac and Elizabeth, married Mary Hoyt. Children, — Isaac B. ; Jacob W. ; John H. ; Benjamin H. ; J. Warren ; James H. ; N. Henry ; Mary A., married William Atherton of Patterson ; Martha A., married John Galleton, and lives at Walden, Orange County, N.Y. ; Elizabeth S., married Edson Knapp of Shawanunk, N.Y.

3. Isaac B., son of Nathan H., married Caroline Gedney. He was collector and constable at White Plains, and died in 1857.

3. Jacob, married Ruth Rush, and had two children. He died of consumption in 1834.

3. John H., son of Nathan H., married Sarah Taylor. Has three children. He is a baker in Bushwick, L.I.

3. Benjamin H., son of Nathan H., married Eliza Young. Has two children. He lives in New-York City, and is by trade a marble finisher.

3. J. Warren, son of Nathan H., married Henrietta Taylor. Has one child. He is a steam-engine builder, and lives in New-York City.

3. Nathan H., son of Nathan H., married Caroline Townsend. Has two children. He was a machinist, and was burned to death in February, 1850, in Hayne Street, New York, by the explosion that took place there. He was so burned, that there was nothing by which to identify him, except a small piece of his shirt, about as large as a man's hand, which his wife identified on account of its being of some peculiar material. His wife died of grief two years afterwards.

3. James H., son of Nathan H., married Martha Taylor. Has two children. He lives at Swift Island, Ill.

4. James, son of Daniel of Norwalk, born March 29, 1736; married Joanna Castle, April 17, 1760. Children, — Daniel, born April 15, 1761; Reuben, Sept. 2, 1763; Elijah, March 12, 1766; Jesse, July 16, 1768; Stephen, Sept. 14, 1770; Amos, Dec. 28, 1772; Gilbert, Sept. 25, 1775, lives in Avoca, Steuben County, N.Y.; Jacob and Joanna, born Feb. 15, 1778; Betsy, April 21, 1780; Robert and Rhoda, June 29, 1784; Phila, April 3, 1787. He was a distinguished business-man in Amenia, Dutchess County; being a farmer, merchant, and miller. He died July 20, 1814, aged eighty-seven years.

5. Jesse, son of James and Joanna, born July 16, 1768; married Joanna Carpenter, Feb. 22, 1797. Children, — Julia A., born Oct. 19, 1799; Joanna, Oct. 8, 1802, lives in

Amenia; Betsy B., Jan. 26, 1805; Eliza A., March 18, 1808; James C., Sept. 2, 1810; Susan M., April 18, 1813; Abigail M., Sept. 2, 1815. His father bought a soldier's right of bounty-land; and Jesse, with his brother Amos, searched out the lot, and settled upon it. The lots were laid out one mile square; which made each of them a farm of three hundred and twenty acres, situated in Aurelius, Steuben County, N.Y.; where he died Aug. 25, 1831, aged sixty-three years.

6. James C., son of Jesse and Joanna, born Sept. 2, 1810; has no children. Lives on the homestead of his father, and is a postmaster.

4. Jacob, son of William, and grandson of John, 2d, born in Norwalk; married Miss Ruhamah Benedict. He settled in South-east, Dutchess County, N.Y., now the county of Putnam; and was a farmer and tavern-keeper. Children, — Ruth, born in 1769, married a Reed, and married an Ellis for second husband, and died at South-east in 1856, — no children; Ruhamah, born in 1772, married a Howes of South-east; Jacob, who died at New Canaan, leaving a family; Stephen, who lives at Ridgefield, Conn.; Esther, born about 1779, lives in Ridgefield; Doty; Isaac, who died in New York about 1829; Abigail, born about 1785, married a Woodruff, and lives in Illinois; Matthew, born 1787, who settled in New-York City, and died about 1844, was an alderman, and president of a bank, in New York; Lewis B., born Aug. 28, 1789; John, 1791; Eli, born about 1783, lives in Brooklyn, N.Y.

5. Eli, son of Jacob and Ruhamah. Children, — Jacob R., who is a butcher in New-York City; David B.; Eli H., an alderman of New-York City; William H.; Dickinson; Platt B., in New-York City; Charlotte; Lucretia, married John C. Jones, a publisher in New York. This is quite an enterprising and thriving family.

5. Matthew, son of Jacob and Ruhamah. Children, — Edwin, deceased; George, living in New York; Addison, deceased, leaving a family in New York; Matthew, living in Norwalk, Conn.; B, who, by the fancy of his father, had no name except the letter B, lives in New-York City.

6. B, son of Matthew of New York. Children, — C, a daughter, married Charles Sherwood of Port Chester, N.Y; Eliza, who married Charles Deane of Port Chester; Henry.

6. Lewis B., son of Jacob and Ruhamah, born Aug. 28, 1789; went to New-York City in 1810, and married Maria Brown, January, 1815. They are both living. Children, — Addington, born Oct. 3, 1815, a merchant, unmarried; Ferdinand, born July 7, 1817, married, and is with his elder brother, No. 42, Courtland Street, New York, — wholesale shoe-dealers; Elvira, born March 24, 1819; Amanda, May 10, 1821, married James P. Cogswell of Janesville, Wis.; Adeline, born Oct. 10, 1822, married Hiram H. Lamport of New York, and has two children; Lewis Benedict, born July 11, 1824; Catherine, Nov. 10, 1826, married James H. Wheeler, a merchant of Boston; Emma, born Jan. 4, 1835, married Gould H. Thorp, a merchant of New York; Anna, born Dec. 18, 1837.

7. Lewis Benedict, son of Lewis B. and Maria, born July 11, 1824. Children, — Palmer Townsend Reed, born Nov. 13, 1850; Frank, born in Brooklyn, June 28, 1856. He is a lawyer in New-York City.

6. John, son of Jacob and Ruhamah, born 1791. Children, — John J., born in 1824; Benjamin Franklin, 1826; Mary. He died in New York in 1837.

4. Ezra, son of Daniel, and grandson of John, 2d, of Norwalk, Conn., born March 16, 1740; married Sarah Kellogg, May 22, 1763. Children, — Sarah, born Feb. 24, 1765, died April 30, 1765; Sarah, born April 19, 1766, died Jan. 27, 1834; Lois, born Sept. 10, 1767, died June 23, 1843; Ros-

well, Nov. 9, 1769, died May 4, 1839; Aaron, born April 29, 1771; Jemima, Aug. 29, 1773, died Sept. 9, 1773; Epinitas, born Aug. 29, 1773, died March 1, 1847; Lediana, born Oct. 8, 1775, died Feb. 10, 1780; Lydia, born Sept. 28, 1777, died July 8, 1838; Huldah, born Sept. 23, 1780, died January, 1853; Ezra, born May 20, 1783. He died April 4, 1807: his wife died April 15, 1818.

5. Epinitas, son of Ezra, born Aug. 29, 1773; married Jane Reed. Children, — George, born Feb. 17, 1800; Isabella, Oct. 2, 1801, died Sept. 14, 1819; Egbert, born July 8, 1805; Sarah, Sept. 1, 1807; Rebecca, May 14, 1810; Edward, Oct. 31, 1812; Alexander, March 13, 1815; Rodolphus, April 17, 1818, died July 22, 1822; Jane, born June 30, 1824, died July 20, 1824. He died March 11, 1847: his wife died July 1, 1824. He settled in Coxakin, N.Y.; and married his wife in that place.

6. George, son of Epinitas, born Feb. 17, 1800; married Esther Kempton, Sept. 1, 1822. Children, — Jane Maria, born July 25, 1823; Benjamin F., July 23, 1828; Rebecca, April 22, 1832; Sonora, Aug. 1, 1830, died Aug. 24, 1830; William R., born April 6, 1838. He lives at Coxakin, N.Y.

5. Roswell, son of Ezra, married a Reed, sister of his brother Epinitas's wife, and lives in Coxakin.

5. Aaron, son of Ezra, moved to Coxakin, N.Y.; had five sons, one of whom was Aaron, who had Theron of Rockville, Ill.

4. Eleazer, son of Eleazer, son of John, son of John of Norwalk, born in 1728; married Hannah; settled in Newport, R.I., and was a miller. Children, — Isaac, born March 22, 1747; Elizabeth, Nov. 29, 1749; Eleazer, Aug. 19, 1751; John, March 22, 1753; David, March 15, 1755; Hannah, March 27, 1757, married a Marshall; William, born April 6, 1759. He died in 1803.

5. Eleazer, son of Eleazer and Hannah, born at Newport, Aug. 19, 1751; married Elizabeth. Children, — David, born at Barrington in 1770; William, 1772; Eleazer, Aug. 20, 1777; Elizabeth, 1776, married an Albro; Rebecca, born in 1778, married a Locke; Samuel M., born in 1780. Lived in Newport, and was a miller; died in 1826.

5. John, son of Eleazer and Hannah, born at Newport, March 23, 1753; married Frifenda Heath. Children, — John, born at Newport, November, 1791; Isaac, April 25, 1797; William H., May 11, 1796; Oliver A., March 10, 1799; Nathaniel H. and Sarah H., April 18, 1804 (Sarah married Sanders Vars); Mary Ann, April 18, 1801, married William Eldridge; Edward and Eliza, March 16, 1806; Silas J., July 28, 1808; Emeline, Aug. 11, 1810, married John D. Correll; Ann Eliza, born Feb. 7, 1813, married John Bachelder. Lived at Newport; died in 1830.

5. William, son of Eleazer and Hannah, born at Newport, April 6, 1759. Children, — George, born at Newport in 1782; Thomas, 1784; Sally, 1786. Lived in Newport; died in 1829.

5. David, son of Eleazer and Hannah, born at Newport, March 15, 1755. Children. — David, born in 1802; Rebecca, 1804. Lived in Newport.

6. William, son of Eleazer, born in 1772. Child, — Eliza, born in 1803. He lived in Newport, but died in Dartmouth.

6. Eleazer, son of Eleazer and Elizabeth, born Aug. 20, 1777; married Elizabeth Umphrey. Children, — Oliver, born at Newport in 1797; Eliza M., August, 1798, married James M. Boon; Penelope, born in 1800, died in 1800; Oliver, born July 14, 1801; Samuel M., July 23, 1803; Catherine, 1805, married William F. Smith; John, born in 1807, died in 1808; Mary, born in 1809, died in 1857;

Eleazer J., born May 30, 1811; Phebe Ann, born at Barrington, Feb. 15, 1815. He lived in Newport, but carried on the mercantile business in South Carolina, and was accidentally killed on his passage home.

7. Eleazer J., son of Eleazer and Elizabeth, born May 30, 1811; married Mary Ann Cook. Children, — Harwood, born at Newport, July 26, 1838; Charles, May 26, 1845, died in 1845. Lives in Newport.

6. Isaac, son of John, born at Newport, April 25, 1797; married Patience Munroe. Children, — Nathan; Elsea Ann, who married a Hersey; Sarah. Lived at Newport.

7. Nathan, son of Isaac and Patience, married Mary, daughter of Henry G. Reed. Child, — George W., born at New Bedford in 1851. Lives at New Bedford.

7. Samuel M., son of Eleazer and Elizabeth, born at Newport in 1780; married a Dayton. Child, — Samuel M., born at Newport in 1808. Lived at Dartmouth.

6. William H., son of John and Frifenda, born May 11, 1796; married Hannah Butts. Children, — William Oliver, born at Newport, Dec. 29, 1818; Matilda and William H., May 22, 1821; George P., June 8, 1823; Charlotte E., Feb. 15, 1828, married William H. Gardner; Edward C., May 14, 1834. Lived at Newport.

7. Samuel M., son of Eleazer and Elizabeth, born July 23, 1803; married Sylvina D. Bennet. Children, — Sarah, born at Newport in 1825, married Dr. Mercer; Charles B., born in 1827; Emma F., 1833. Lives in Mystic, Conn.

6. Nathaniel H., son of John and Frifenda, born April 18, 1804; married Eliza Edgeforth.

6. John, son of John and Frifenda, born November, 1791; married, first, Sally Swan; and Betsy Barker for second wife. Children, — Joanna, born at Newport; John (by second wife); Edwin; Sally, who married Dr. Turner;

Elizabeth, married a Shubeth; William H. Mumford; Mary Ann. He lived at Newport, and died in 1839.

7. John, son of John and Betsy, lives in Providence.

7. Edwin, son of John and Betsy, lives in Providence.

Oliver, son of Eleazer and Elizabeth, born July 14, 1801; married Clarissa Gardner. Children, — Catherine, born at Newport, April 5, 1821, married Edward Hammet; William G., born Oct. 11, 1823; Hannah E., Feb. 7, 1825, died in 1843; Henry, born Feb. 25, 1827; Edwin O., April 25, 1829. He is a retired merchant in Newport.

7. William O., son of William H. and Hannah, born Dec. 29, 1818; married Mary Ann Bates, and lives in Newport.

7. Edward C., son of William H. and Hannah, born May 4, 1834; married Caroline Sherman. Children, — Ella F., born at Newport, Dec. 19, 1853; Ida, August, 1856. Lives in Newport.

8. William G., son of Oliver and Clarissa, born Oct. 11, 1853; married Agnes M. Clark. Children, — Kate W.; Taylor; Oliver C., born at Brooklyn, N.Y., in 1854. Married, for second wife, Emma; married also a third wife. Child (by third wife), — William G., born in 1856. He is a banker in Wall Street, N.Y.

7. George P., son of William H., born June 8, 1823; married Martha Wilbur. Child, — William H., born June, 1855. Lives at Newport.

4. Benjamin, son of Daniel of Norwalk, married Bethiah Weed, April 25, 1715. Children, — Bethiah, born May 22, 1766; Sarah; Benjamin, March 31, 1770; Elizabeth, June 3, 1776; Daniel, Dec. 11, 1778; Enos, Oct. 30, 1787.

5. Benjamin, son of Benjamin and Bethiah, born May 31, 1770; married Betty Bouton, Jan. 12, 1793. Children, — Wilbur, born April 26, 1794; Stephen, Feb. 18, 1796; Benjamin; James M.

4. Eliakim, son of Daniel of Norwalk. Child, — Ezra. He settled in Amenia, Dutchess County, N.Y., in 1773; and the farm on which he settled is still occupied by his descendants.

5. Ezra, son of Eliakim of Amenia, N.Y., married Esther Edgarton. Children, — Newton, Fitch, Horace, Columbus, Harriet, Almira, Betsy, Catherine, Emeline. He lived and died on the homestead of his father, in Amenia.

6. Newton, son of Ezra, married Ann Vandyke. Children, — Henry Vandyke, Albert, Frances, Catherine. He lives on the old farm of his father and grandfather, in Amenia; and has taken great interest in hunting up the genealogy and history of his ancestors.

CHAPTER XVI.

JOSEPH OF LYNN, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

1. Joseph Reed, a native of Carrickfergus, in the North of Ireland, near Londonderry, came to America in the ship "Arabella" (Richard Sprague, master) in 1671, and settled in Lynn, Mass.; made freeman, May 11, 1681, and lived in Salem. He was a purchaser of land in Salem in 1684. Children, — Thomas, Andrew, Joseph.

2. Andrew, son of Joseph, married Theodosia Bowes for second wife. He settled in Trenton, N.J. He was a merchant, and moved to Philadelphia, where he spent several years in active business life, but finally returned to Trenton in 1752. He died Dec. 16, 1769. Children, — Joseph; Bowes.

3. Joseph Reed, son of Andrew and Theodosia, born at Trenton, Aug. 27, 1741; graduated at Princeton in 1757, at the age of sixteen; studied law with Richard Stockton, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence; admitted to the bar in May, 1763; sailed for England the same year, and entered the Inns of Court, where he remained till the spring of 1765; married in St. Luke's Church, London, to the daughter of Denis De Burht, a noted merchant of London, and agent for Massachusetts; returned to America, and established himself in the practice of his profession, and was one of the most distinguished lawyers of his time. He was Gen. Washington's military secretary; was adjutant-

general in the American Army. He was appointed Chief-Justice of Pennsylvania, but declined the appointment; was a member of Congress, and President of Pennsylvania. He was the man above all others, Washington excepted, who had the confidence of all parties; and, had his life been spared, would undoubtedly have filled the Presidential chair. It was Gen. Reed, who, in reply to an offer, by the British Commissioners, of the most important office in the Colonies, and ten thousand pounds in cash, to act in the interest of the British Government, said that the King of Great Britain had nothing within his gift that would tempt him. For a more minute account of his public life, I refer the reader to a work on the subject, published by his grandson, Hon. William B. Reed, entitled "Life and Correspondence of Joseph Reed." He had a son Joseph, born in 1772; Denis De Burht, 1778, died, unmarried, in 1804; George Washington, born in 1780, who was a commander in the United-States Navy, and died in 1813; Esther and Martha, unmarried daughters.

4. Joseph, the son of Gen. Reed, married Maria Ellis Watmaugh in 1805. Children, — William B., born in 1806; Henry, 1808; Maria Emily, who married Francis West, and died in 1847; Joseph, who was drowned. He was, for many years, Recorder of Philadelphia. He died in 1846.

5. William B., the son of Joseph and Maria E., married Louisa Whilen of Baltimore. Children, — Anna, who married Francis R. Lewis; William; George Washington; and Louisa. William B. Reed was Attorney-General in 1839; State senator in 1841; minister plenipotentiary to China in 1857; negotiated the treaty of Tienstin, between China and the United States, June 18, 1858. He lives at No. 905, Walnut Street, Philadelphia. He married, for second wife, Mary Love, daughter of Robert Ralston, in 1850. Children, — Mary Love, who died in 1852; Robert Ralston, born in 1852; Emily De Burht, 1853.

5. Henry, the son of Joseph and Maria, married Elizabeth W., daughter of Enos Bronson, and grand-daughter of Bishop White. Children, — Mary Bronson, Annie, Henry. He was a professor in the University of Pennsylvania, and perished in the ill-fated steamer "Arctic," on his homeward passage from Europe, in 1854.

CHAPTER XVII.

LYME, HALIFAX, AND WISCONSIN STOCK.

ENOCH REED of Lyme, Conn., was colonel in the war of the Revolution. Children, — Joseph, born Dec. 18, 1762; John, of Exeter, Conn.; Christopher, of Montgomery County, N.Y.; Enoch, of Rochester, N.Y.

Joseph, son of Col. Enoch, born Dec. 18, 1762; married Phebe Reid, sister of Ahimihas Reid of Rutland, Mass., Dec. 18, 1783, — the day of his majority. Children, — Abigail, born Dec. 20, 1784; Sally, Dec. 14, 1786; Caroline, April 22, 1789; Nancy and Lanna, June 4, 1791; John, Dec. 18, 1793; Henry, May 11, 1796; Emily, Feb. 13, 1799; Charles William, Dec. 18, 1802, who lives at Sacket's Harbor, Jefferson County, N.Y. He was his father's aid, and died June 11, 1825: his wife died Feb. 11, 1816. He lived in Lyme, Conn.; and his children were all born there.

Abigail, daughter of Joseph and Phebe, born Dec. 20, 1784; married Jonathan Hayes, Sept. 12, 1805, who died Sept. 5, 1850.

Sally, daughter of Joseph and Phebe, born Dec. 14, 1786; married Samuel Goodnew in 1808. He died July 15, 1845. She died April 13, 1843. Child, — Walter, who died Sept. 13, 1850.

Caroline, daughter of Joseph and Phebe, born April 22, 1789; married William Brown, February, 1808.

Nancy, daughter of Joseph and Phebe, born June 4, 1791; married Stephen Allen, May 30, 1816.

Lanna, daughter of Joseph and Phebe, born June 4, 1791; married Stephen Shepherdson, Nov. 3, 1818.

Emily, daughter of Joseph and Phebe, born Feb. 13, 1799; married Benjamin H. Peck. She died May 2, 1849. Child, — Mary Elizabeth, who died at Shelburne Falls, Mass., July 9, 1851, aged thirteen years. He is deceased, date unknown.

John, son of Joseph and Phebe, born in Lyme, Conn., Dec. 18, 1793; married Ann Wallace, March 7, 1824, at Halifax, Vt. Children, — Phebe Ann, born May 19, 1825, in Halifax, Vt.; John Williams, Jan. 19, 1828; Charles Henry, June 26, 1829; Helen Maria, March 13, 1831; Walter Goodnew, March 18, 1833, lives in Madison, Wis. His wife died April 26, 1857. He lived thirty-five years in Halifax, Vt.; but has now sold out.

Phebe Ann, daughter of John, born May 19, 1825; married George H. Sawyer, Sept. 23, 1851. Children, — William Bradstreet, born Nov. 11, 1852; George Augustus, April 14, 1856; Flora H. L., Sept. 14, 1854.

Henry, son of Joseph and Phebe, born May 11, 1796; married Laura Sumner, Jan. 11, 1818, and lives in Bethany, Genesee County, N.Y.

Helen Maria, daughter of John and Ann, born at Halifax, Vt., March 13, 1831; married Leander M. Lincoln, July 23, 1850. Child, — Flora Helen, born Sept. 14, 1854. Lives in Wisconsin.

John W., son of John and Ann, born Jan. 19, 1828, at Halifax, Vt.; married Susanna F. Hayward, Oct. 10, 1854. Child, — Lena, born Sept. 13, 1856. Lives at Marzomania, Wis.

Charles Henry, son of John and Ann, born at Halifax, June 26, 1829; married Francelia Call, March 10, 1855.

Child, — Walter Clinton, born Aug. 25, 1856. Lives in Madison, Wis.

John William, son of John and Ann, born Jan. 19, 1828; married Susanna I. Hayward, Oct. 10, 1854.

CHAPTER XVIII.

THE LONDONDERRY REIDS.

2. James Reid, born in Scotland in 1695, graduated at Edinburgh; married Mary; was one of the first settlers of Londonderry, N.H. He was an influential man, and deacon of the church. Children, — Matthew, born April 2, 1728; Thomas, May 3, 1730; Elizabeth, who married John Nesmith; John, born in 1745; George, 1733.

2. George, son of Deacon James of Londonderry, born in 1733; married Mary Woodburn. Children, — Elizabeth, who married Robert M'Gregor, son of Rev. David M'Gregor (she died in 1847, aged eighty-one); James, a noted banker of Lisbon, Portugal, of the firm of Brown, Reid, and Company, and died in London, in May, 1827, aged sixty years; Mary, who married Hon. Samuel Dinsmore, Governor of New Hampshire (she died at Keene, in June, 1834, aged sixty-four; her son has also been Governor of New Hampshire); John, a distinguished merchant in Philadelphia, and died December, 1834, aged sixty-three; George, born Jan. 29, 1774, and graduated at Dartmouth College in 1797, married Mary Borland in 1807, and married (for second wife) Harriet Davison in 1805, — entered the profession of law, and practised with much success in Maine, and died in Boston, Jan. 30, 1848, aged seventy-four years. He was a colonel in the Revolutionary Army; was intimately associated with Stark; and was in nearly all the hot battles of the

Revolution; was appointed by Gov. Sullivan to command the troops raised in the time of Shay's Rebellion, and manifested great skill, sound judgment, and true patriotism; was sheriff of the county of Rockingham many years, as well as a leading man in town and county affairs. His wife was also a very superior woman, distinguished for sound judgment, cool, deliberate, and persevering industry, and an uncommon sweetness and amiableness of disposition; and peculiarly calculated for an helpmeet to a man in the position of Gen. Reid. It is said that Gen. Stark used to speak in his latter days of Molly Reid, as he called her, as the most perfect pattern of what a woman should be. The farm on which Gen. Reid lived is now owned by John Taylor, Esq.; and is one of the best and most beautiful situations in the vicinity. Gen. Reid has three grandsons living: viz., George Reid, an engineer in Illinois; Gov. Dinsmore, of New Hampshire; and Daniel M'Gregor, of New-York City.

2. Matthew, son of Deacon James, born April 2, 1728, and was a noted boxer. Children, — Abraham, John, George, Matthew.

3. Abraham, the son of Matthew, married Martha Humphrey. They had — Matthew; David, born in 1765; Stephen H.; John Holland; William V.; Sally; Jane, who married a Noyes of Atkinson, N.H.; Martha; Betsy; Mary A. He was lieutenant of the Derry Company in the battle of Bunker Hill. He lived at one time on Zion's Hill, in that part of Londonderry which is now in Salem, N.H.; but moved back to Londonderry, and died in that part of the town which is now in Manchester.

4. David, the son of Abraham, married Martha M'Murphey. Their children were — Isabella, born Jan. 24, 1797, who married Samuel Mentor; Stephen H., born Nov. 7, 1799; Martha, Feb. 10, 1802, married Josiah Hall of Chester, N.H.; David, born March 7, 1804; Ann, May 7, 1807, who mar-

ried a Whidden, and lives in Manchester; James Mac, born June 4, 1809; Mary Jane, Nov. 2, 1811. He lived upon the homestead of his father, in what is now Manchester.

5. David, the son of David and Martha, married Mary S. Marsh of Chesterfield, Nov. 4, 1834, and settled in West Boylston. Child, — Mary Jane, born April 29, 1849.

5. Stephen H., son of David and Martha, born Nov. 7, 1799; married Rebecca Nichols of Londonderry, and settled in Auburn. Children, — James, who now lives in Derry; John, of Haverhill, Mass.; Israel S., of Lawrence, Mass.; and Alexander H., of Derry.

6. James, the son of Stephen H. and Rebecca. Children, — George, Walter, Orison, Helen, Elizabeth, and one whose name is not given.

6. Alexander H., son of Stephen H. and Rebecca, married Abigail Stickney. Child, — Charles J.

4. Matthew, the son of Lieut. Abraham, settled in that part of Chester, N.H., which is now Auburn. He married a Crombie. Their children were — Moses, Hiram, Gilman, George W., Stephen H., True C., Abby, Noah B.

5. Noah B., the son of Matthew, married Mary E. Carr in 1853. Children, — Abby, born Feb. 22, 1855; Oscar; Matthew, Aug. 5, 1856; Moses; Hiram; George W. and Stephen H., live in Auburn; Gilman and True, live in Manchester; Abby, also lives in Auburn.

2. John, the son of James, born in 1745; married Catherine Morrison, and lived on the old homestead of his father. Children, — Matthew, who died unmarried; Jeannette; Margaret; Mary Ann; Polly; Jane; John.

3. Jeannette, the daughter of John and Catherine, married Peter Moore. Children, — Josiah; Eliza; Jeannette, who married a Boyse of Londonderry; Margaret, who married Little Day of Londonderry as his second wife; Mary Ann; Polly; Jane; John.

3. Mary Ann, the daughter of John and Catherine, married Joseph Morrison. Children, — John, Mary, and Jane.

4. John, the son of Joseph Morrison and Mary Ann Reid, married Rebecca, the daughter of Amos Kimball of Londonderry. Children, — William K., Sarah Jane, Mary Ann, Ida H., John Burton, Louisa, Maria. He died Jan. 2, 1836, aged thirty-two.

4. Polly, the daughter of Joseph Morrison and Mary Ann Reid, married Joseph Gregg. Children, — Joseph, Melvina, and one other daughter.

3. John, the son of John and Catherine, married Isabella Hopkins. Children, — Adeline, who married a Blake, and lives in Danvers ; Isabella, who also is married, and lives in Danvers. He lived on the old homestead of his father and grandfather.

2. Thomas, son of James, born May 3, 1730 ; was in Bunker-hill Fight. There appears to be no record of him at a later period ; but he probably went to Maine, as his descendants were found very early among the inhabitants of Boothbay, Belfast, and other places. He probably had a son Jonathan, who was with his father in the battle of Bunker Hill ; Ebenezer, who died in Marblehead ; Esther, who married her cousin, John Reid of Boothbay ; Thomas, went to Belfast ; Robert and James, who both settled in Boothbay.

3. Thomas, son of Thomas, married Sally Reed of Boothbay, and settled in Belfast. Children, — Thomas, born Aug. 20, 1793 ; David, July 1, 1796 ; Silas ; Mary Ann ; Sally, July 20, 1798, married Capt. John Shute (who was lost at sea) ; George W., born April 13, 1803 ; Polly, March 9, 1801 ; James, Dec. 31, 1805 ; Charles, who died Jan. 11, 1829.

Thomas, son of Thomas and Sally, was burned to death

on board the schooner "Albert," lying at the wharf in Belfast; the fire having caught in the forecastle while the men were asleep.

4. George W., son of Thomas and Sally, born April 13, 1803; married Sally B. Ellis, Dec. 29, 1825. Children,—Charles, born Dec. 3, 1827; Thomas, April 28, 1829; Franklin P., Sept. 8, 1830; Adaline, Jan. 17, 1832; George H., Sept. 19, 1833; Lucy Ann, Feb. 9, 1835. He lives in Belfast.

3. Jonathan, son of Thomas of Londonderry. Children,—Robert Barnard, David, Betsy, Jane, Clarissa. He went to Belfast, Me.; and was a tanner by trade. He had a shock of palsy, which deprived him of the use of his limbs. I find him a witness to the will of Ebenezer Reed of Londonderry, about the year 1785, who died about 1788.

4. Clarissa, daughter of Jonathan, married a M'Donald in Belfast, and had a family of children. The remainder of the children of Jonathan left Belfast, and settled in Newburyport. Betsy married a Hunt: she afterwards became a widow, and moved to Wakefield, N.H.

4. David, son of Jonathan, lived in Newburyport. Child,—Moses, who lives in Portsmouth, N.H.

4. Robert B., son of Jonathan, married Mary. Children,—Abel H., born in 1808; Robert B., 1810; Elizabeth, 1812; Daniel T., born in 1814; John C., 1816, who settled in Mount Vernon, O.; William P., born in 1815, lives in New York; Mary Ann, born in 1821; Harriet, 1823; Melissa, 1826; Abel H. He moved back to Londonderry in the time of the Embargo, and died in Derry in 1826.

5. Robert B., son of Robert and Mary, born in 1810; married Mary Marshall, and settled in Mount Vernon, O. Children,—Leander, born in Lowell, Mass., June 19, 1836; Lucillus, 1838; Robert B., died Jan. 4, 1850. He married, for second wife, Mary Mulurge; and, for third wife, Eliza Wilkins, who survives him.

5. Abel H., son of Robert B., lives in Chester, N.H. Children, — Vivuldin Sylvia, Rosalvo Alvan, Vulledo Suvillian, Floral Cleora.

5. Daniel T., son of Robert B., lives in Newburyport; married Margaret T. Jaques. Children, — Alphonzo B., born Feb. 10, 1840; Luclarion, July 25, 1841; Allen A., April 16, 1843; Leroy C., April 24, 1844; Selion C., Dec. 18, 1845.

The early generations of the Reids of Londonderry were large and athletic; but the later ones are of less size, and many of them have died comparatively young, of pulmonary complaints.

CHAPTER XIX.

BURLINGTON STOCK.

1. SWITHIN, born in 1712; came to Burlington from Nottingham West, formerly part of Dunstable, now Hudson, N.H., in 1740. Wife, Margery. Children, — Robert; James. He died Feb. 19, 1790, aged seventy-seven: his wife died May 25, 1806, aged ninety-five.

2. Robert, son of Swithin and Margery, married Elizabeth Hartwell of Bedford, July 2, 1771. Children, — Swithin, born in 1773; Daniel Robert, Sept. 4, 1775. He was drowned, when out on a fishing excursion outside of Boston Lighthouse, June 5, 1805.

3. Swithin, son of Robert and Elizabeth, born Aug. 13, 1773; married Anna Wyman, Nov. 19, 1795.

3. James, son of Swithin, born 1758; married Elizabeth Wellington, Sept. 24, 1778. Children, — Elizabeth; James, born April 12, 1783; John, Nov. 26, 1787; Joseph; Lucy; Luke; Samuel; Floranna, who married Jonas Horsey of Charleston, S.C. He was known as Capt. James Read of Burlington.

4. James, son of Capt. James of Burlington, born April 12, 1783; married Susanna Johnson, Jan. 11, 1810. Children, — Artemas, born June 28, 1811; James, March 16, 1813; Susan, July 11, 1818; Edward, Sept. 2, 1823; Luke W., Nov. 11, 1820. He was also distinguished as Capt. Read; and died Nov. 29, 1844, aged sixty-one. His widow still lives in the old mansion with her son Edward.

5. Artemas, son of Capt. James, born June 28, 1811; married Abigail Fox, April 23, 1827; married Elizabeth Winn of Salem, for second wife, Jan. 10, 1846. Children, — William Gage, born Feb. 8, 1856; George Henry and Georgianna, April 23, 1849. He lives upon a portion of the old homestead in Burlington.

4. Joseph, son of Capt. James and Elizabeth, married Marah S. Walker, Sept. 3, 1811. Children, — John; Joseph W., who lived in New Orleans, and died at Bay St. Louis in 1859, aged thirty-nine. His wife died Nov. 13, 1830. He was formerly an innholder, and kept on the Middlesex Turnpike in Burlington.

5. John, son of Joseph and Marah, married Mary C. Briggs, daughter of Billings Briggs, Esq., of Boston, April 22, 1845. Children, — Billings Briggs, Mary Olive, John Parsons, Joseph Wellington. He carried on a very extensive shoe-store in Washington Street, Boston; and died suddenly, of the heart complaint, Nov. 3, 1854. His widow lives at No. 54, Pinkney Street.

5. James, son of Capt. James and Susanna of Burlington, born March 16, 1813; married in Boston, Dec. 25, 1849, to Mary Jane Magee of Cornwallis, N.S. Children, — James Russell, born Jan. 4, 1851; Henry M., Aug. 29, 1852; Ann Brimmer, Dec. 13, 1855. He lives at No. 44, South Russell Street, Boston.

5. Luke, son of Capt. James, married Barbary M'Murphy of South Carolina. He lost the most of his family by the yellow fever; has one son now living, by the name of Erastus. He died in Madisonville, La., near New Orleans.

5. Edward, son of Capt. James and Susanna, born Sept. 2, 1823; married Emily Nichols, April 25, 1847. Child, — William Henry, born July 13, 1849. His wife died Sept. 19, 1849. Married Emily Smith. He lives upon the old homestead in Burlington. Children, — Emily; Ella.

5. Susan, daughter of Capt. James, married Jesse Fowle of Woburn, and lives near the old mansion.

4. John, son of Capt. James of Burlington, born Nov. 26, 1787; married Clarissa Clapp of Woburn, Oct. 6, 1819. Child, — John, who lives in New-York City. He was a shoe merchant, and lived at Woburn, but did business in Charleston, S.C.

Daniel, son of Robert and Elizabeth, lived many years in Burlington, but finally moved to Oakham. Children, — William, who now lives at North Woburn; Augusta, who married Prescott Barrott; Hiram, who died in Woburn of consumption.

CHAPTER XX.

THE READS OF THE BENJAMIN FRANKLIN STOCK.

1. John Read, born in England in 1677; emigrated to America about the commencement of the eighteenth century, and was Recorder of Phildelphia. He died Sept. 2, 1724. Children, — Deborah, and probably John.

2. Deborah, the daughter of John, married Benjamin Franklin, Sept. 1, 1730; died Dec. 19, 1774. Children, — William, born about 1731; Francis Folger, June 20, 1732, died Nov. 21, 1736; Sarah, Sept. 11, 1743, O.S.

3. William, the son of Benjamin Franklin and Deborah Read, was Governor of the Province of New Jersey, and continued his fidelity to the British Government, very much against the wishes of his parents. He died in London, Nov. 17, 1813, leaving a son, William Temple, who was the editor of Dr. Franklin's Works, and died at Paris, May 25, 1823.

3. Sarah, the daughter of Benjamin Franklin and Deborah, married Richard Bache, Oct. 29, 1767; died Oct. 5, 1808. Children, — Benjamin Franklin, born Aug. 12, 1769, died Sept. 10, 1798; William, born May 31, 1773; Sarah, Dec. 1, 1775, died Aug. 17, 1776; Eliza Franklin, born Sept. 10, 1777; Louis, Oct. 7, 1779; Deborah, Oct. 1, 1781; Richard, March 11, 1784; Sarah, Sept. 12, 1788.

4. Benjamin F., son of Richard Bache and Sarah, married Margaret H. Markoe; died Sept. 10, 1798. Children, —

Franklin, who married Anglae Dabadie, and left children; Richard; Franklin, who married Maria Meade, and left children.

4. William Bache, son of Richard and Sarah, married Catherine Wister, and died in 1814. Children, — Sarah, who married Rev. Charles Hodge, and left children; Benjamin F., who married Mrs. Anna Cambridge and (for second wife) Mrs. Elizabeth Hart, and left children by both; Emma Mary, died unmarried; Catherine Wister.

4. Eliza F., daughter of Richard and Sarah, married John E. Harwood, and died in 1820. Children, — Benjamin Franklin; Andrew Allen, who married Sarah Wood and (for second wife) Margaret Luce; Elizabeth; Mary.

4. Louis, son of Richard Bache and Sarah, married Mary Ann Swift and (for second wife) Esther Egree, and died in 1819. Children, — William, who married Antoinette Benezet, and left children; Theophilact, who died young; Elizabeth, who married Alexander Burnett; Theophilact, by the second wife.

4. Deborah, daughter of Richard Bache and Sarah, married William John Duane. Children, — William, who married Louisa Brooks, and has children; Sarah Franklin; Mary, who married Charles Williams, and has children; Catherine; Ellen, who married John B. Shatterthwaite, and has children; Franklin B.; Elizabeth, who married Archibald H. Gillespie; Richard B., who married Margaret Ann Tams; Benjamin Franklin, who married Matilda Dennison, who died Feb. 14, 1859, — they have children.

4. Richard Bache, son of Richard and Sarah, married Sophia Dallas, and died in 1847. Children, — Alexander Dallas, who married Ann C. Fowler; Mary Blichenden, who married Robert J. Walker, and has children; George Mifflin, who married Eliza Patterson, and has children;

Richard; Sophia, who married William W. Irwin, and has children; Matilda, who married William F. Emery, and has children; Constantia, who married Charles Abert, and has children; Sarah, who married Richard Wainwright, and has children; Maria, who married Allen M'Lane.

4. Sarah, daughter of Richard Bache and Sarah, married Thomas Sergeant. Children, — Henry Jonathan; Frances, who married Chr. Grant Perry, and has children; Thomas; William.

2. It is supposed that John, the son of John, married one Elizabeth for first wife, and Rachel for second wife; that he had a daughter Rachel by the first wife, who was born in 1750, and died in 1756; and that he also had a daughter by the same name, by his second wife, who died in 1839. The elder John Read, his daughter Deborah and her husband Benjamin Franklin, with their daughter Sarah and her husband Mr. Bache, are all buried at the corner of Christ's Churchyard in Philadelphia; and their gravestones are to be seen by an opening in the brick wall on Arch Street, — an iron fence having been substituted for a brick one, to give the passing traveller an opportunity to view the plain marble slab that covers the graves of Franklin and his wife. The graves of the two Rachels, above described, are in another part of the same yard. Nearly across the street from the grave of Franklin and Deborah, in an old Presbyterian churchyard, is the grave of John Read, covered by a flat marble slab, with the following inscription: "Here lieth the body of John Read, Esq., who departed this life, Dec. 2, 1776, aged thirty-eight years." This is supposed to be the person who published a map of the city in 1774, and a pamphlet about the same time; and was probably a nephew to Deborah by her brother John, and had a son named Franklin, and another by the name of John.

4. Franklin Read, the son of John, was in the battle of Germantown. He married Catherine Currie. Children, — William, who died in Baltimore, leaving children; John Franklin and William, who died at New Orleans; Mary, who married a Brant; Ann, who married a Curtiss; Sarah, married a Sines; Martha, married Jacob Anderson; John, who was born June 29, 1783, and married Tabitha Andrews (children, — Franklin, born Feb. 4, 1804; Elizabeth, Dec. 12, 1811; John, Jan. 10, 1814; Samuel, April 5, 1816; Rebecca, June 19, 1819; Benjamin Franklin, Jan. 16, 1822; Mary Ann, July 10, 1826; William, Jan. 3, 1828, died young).

6. John Franklin, son of William, married Ann Carty, and is in the Custom House at Philadelphia. Children, — William Franklin, who keeps at the corner of Chestnut and Strawberry streets; Mary; Roxanna, who married John Morton; Martha.

Franklin, son of John and Tabitha, married Catherine Snovell. Child, — John Randolph.

Elizabeth, daughter of John and Tabitha, married Samuel Babb. Children, — Tabitha E., Amanda, Eliza, Mary, Anna.

Tabitha, daughter of Tabitha and Samuel Babb, married Benjamin F. Weckerly; and they live with her father, at No. 25, Maryland Street.

John, the son of John and Tabitha, married Ann Snovell. Children, — Sarah Jane, Franklin, Benjamin F., Emma, Harriet, George W., Clara.

Samuel, son of John and Tabitha, married Ellen Feeney. Children, — Mary Jane; William. He died Feb. 1, 1859.

Rebecca, daughter of John and Tabitha, married Abraham Bower. Children, — George W., William, John, Mary, Alvira, Matilda.

Benjamin F., son of John and Tabitha, married Elizabeth Baron, and lives in Illinois. Children, — George W., Thomas J., Emma, Franklin.

Mary Ann, daughter of John and Tabitha, married William Thompson. Children, — Frances, Henry B., Mary.

John Randolph, son of Franklin and Catherine, married Catherine Winegarden, and lives in Philadelphia. Child, — Henry.

George W., son of Rebecca Read and Abraham Bower; married Ann Johnson, and lives in the city of Philadelphia.

John Read, the son of John, Esq., was an officer in the Navy, under Com. Truxton, and was drowned off the Capes of the Delaware.

CHAPTER XXI.

THE BOOTHBAY STOCK.

3. Paul, son of Joseph, born in 1735, in the county of Derry, Ireland; settled first in Yarmouth, Me.; but, his house having blown down after it was raised, he looked upon it as an unfavorable omen, and left Yarmouth, and went to Boothbay. He married a Maxwell. Children,—Andrew; William Maxwell. He commanded a privateer in the Revolution, and took several valuable prizes. He died at Salem, Mass., Jan. 21, 1799.

4. Andrew, son of Paul, born in 1765; married Betsy M'Cobb. Children,—John, Alpheus, Nathaniel C., Samuel D., Thomas M., William M., Parker M. He commanded a regiment of militia, stationed at the mouth of the Kennebec River, in the war of 1812; built a fort on what is called Cox's Head; and had some skirmishes with the British, who had blockaded the mouth of the river, and menaced, at times, Bath, and other places near the mouth of the river.

5. William M., son of Col. Andrew, is one of the Governor's Council of the State of Maine, and has a son Edwin in Bowdoin College.

Thomas M., son of Col. Andrew, is one of the firm of Clarke, Sewell, and Company, ship-builders; is a large and wealthy ship-owner; and occupies the homestead of his father, upon the bank of the river.

5. Nathaniel C., son of Col. Andrew, resides in Phipsburg.

5. Samuel D., son of Col. Andrew, lives in Bath.

5. Parker M., son of Col. Andrew, lives in Michigan City.

4. William Maxwell, son of Capt. Paul, born in Boothbay in 1766; was powder-monkey on board the privateer commanded by his father; married Rosanna Auld. Children, — Paul M., born at Boothbay, Nov. 27, 1797, died at New Orleans in 1829; Maxwell, born May 9, 1798, died Nov. 4, 1799; Charles, born June 23, 1800, died at sea; Maria, born Sept. 17, 1803, died Aug. 2, 1848; Rufus K., born Sept. 20, 1805; Elizabeth A., April 8, 1808. Married, for second wife, Martha Rust, Oct. 6, 1811. Children, — Maxwell, born Sept. 19, 1812; Rosanna M., Jan. 21, 1813; Mary E., Jan. 28, 1815; Margery J., April 8, 1819, died Nov. 14, 1826; Isaac W., born Oct. 18, 1822; Susan Caroline, Jan. 29, 1827. He was a man of considerable distinction; commanded the forces at Boothbay Harbor in the war of 1812; and was an officer of the revenue many years. He died in 1850.

5. Paul M., son of William M. of Boothbay, born Nov. 27, 1797; married Mary Sparr, in Boston, Jan. 7, 1819. Children, — Mary Ann, born April 6, 1820, died Jan. 10, 1822; Sarah Ann, born Feb. 22, 1822; Paul M., May 25, 1825, died June 7, 1825; Maxwell, born May 12, 1827. He died at New Orleans, June 19, 1829, aged thirty-two years and eight months.

6. Maxwell, son of Paul M. and Mary, born May 12, 1827; married Rebecca S. Oliver, Nov. 16, 1848, in Boston; married, for second wife, Sarah G. Tirrell. Children, — Mary Alice; Charles Henry. He is a pilot at Boston.

6. Sarah A., daughter of Paul M. and Mary, born Feb. 22, 1822; married Hon. Nathan Porter of Providence, R.I. Children, — Sarah E., Clara B., Rena B. Mr. Porter is a

lawyer, and is practising his profession at San Francisco, Cal. He has been a senator of considerable distinction in Rhode Island, and his family yet remain in Providence.

5. Elizabeth, daughter of William M. and Rosanna, born at Boothbay, April 8, 1808; married Dr. D. H. Kennedy, a practising physician in Wiscasset, Me., where they reside.

5. Isaac W., son of William M. and Martha, born at Boothbay, Oct. 18, 1822; is one of the officers of the revenue for the district of Boothbay at the present time, as was his father before him.

CHAPTER XXII.

REEDS OF VARIOUS FAMILIES.

1. Robert Reed; was captain of a ship, and perished by some accident in coming into Newport Harbor. He left a wife, and one son by the name of Martin, who married Mary Dixon. He was a sensible man, and a pillar in the church. Child, — John, who is the Rev. Dr. John Reed. He graduated at Unity College; was ordained pastor of the Union Church at Poughkeepsie in 1810, and remained pastor thirty-five years. His wife died in 1832. Children, — Rev. Thomas C. Reed, professor in Union College; and a daughter, who is the wife of Thomas L. Davis of Poughkeepsie.

1. Cornelius Read, born in the county of Antrim, Ire., Aug. 3, 1740; married the only daughter of Benjamin Williams of Saybrook, Conn., born in 1770. Children, — Jane, born April 28, 1771; Temperance, March 1, 1773; Philipana, Feb. 12, 1773; Elizabeth, June 8, 1777; Nancy, Aug. 21, 1779; Charlotte, Nov. 27, 1784; Anna, Nov. 15, 1781; George, March 22, 1787; Ursula, April 23, 1789; David, May 31, 1794. He died in 1802.

2. George, son of Cornelius, born March 22, 1787; married in 1814. Children, — Catherine P., born July 22, 1815; Aurelia S., Aug. 29, 1818; George A., July 29, 1827. He has been long celebrated for the manufacture of ivory combs in Seabrook, where he recently died.

3. George A., son of George, born July 29, 1827. Child, — George Henry, born Dec. 25, 1848.

2. David, son of Cornelius, born May 31, 1794; married in 1816. Children, — Spencer, born April 23, 1817; Charles F., April 6, 1819; Mary, April 2, 1821; Temperance, Nov. 18, 1823.

3. Spencer, son of David, born April 23, 1817. Child, — Henry S., born in 1844.

4. Jonathan Reed of Greenwich, Columbia County, N.Y. Children, — Jabez, Amos, Carey, Polly.

Amos, son of Jonathan, lives in Cayuga County, N.Y.

Jabez, son of Jonathan, married Sally Gay, and settled in Wilton, about four miles from Saratoga Springs. Children, — Jabez, who lives in Michigan; Calvin P., who is the postmaster of Grangerville, N.Y.; Hiram, lives in Grangerville; John, lives in Cayuga County, N.Y.; and four daughters, whose names are not given.

John, born Feb. 18, 1776; married Miss Bishop in Virginia, and settled in Alabama. Children, — John, who is in California; James and Thomas, live in Bay County, Mo.; William, lives in Alabama; Isaac P., is the postmaster of Farmington, Miss.; Jane; Margaret; Eveline; Huldah; Nancy; Frances. He died of yellow fever, as did also several of his children.

Kitchel Reed; was one of the pioneer settlers in Northern New York, and was in the Revolutionary War. Children, — Silas, Kitchel, Ezra. He lived in Granville.

Silas, son of Kitchel, married Elizabeth Borns in 1793. Children, — Ezra; Mary; Eliza; Julia; James, who moved to Toronto, Can., in 1842; Vioni; Edward B.; Silas K.

Married, for second wife, Mrs. Kellogg. He died in Oswego, N.Y., in 1841.

Ezra, son of Silas of Oswego, born in Granville, N.Y., June 29, 1807. Children, — William Samuel; James Ezra. He is the postmaster of Jordan's Valley, Rutherford County, Tenn.

Kitchel, son of Kitchel. Children, — Orville; William. He lived in Dutchess County, N.Y.

Ezra, son of Kitchel, kept tavern in Stillwater; but moved to Troy, and from Troy to New-York City, where he now lives.

STEPHEN READ, of Suffolk, Eng., had a son Stephen; who had a son Samuel, now living in Lowell, Mass.

MATTHEW REID and BRIDGET came from Ireland, and live in Weymouth, Mass. Children, — Mary A., born Nov. 1, 1852; Martin, Oct. 11, 1854.

JOHN READ died in captivity, Nov. 1, 1746.

REED'S Blockhouse, twenty-five miles from Pittsburg, Pa.

THOMAS READ; taken by Indians, at Hadley, in the beginning of April, 1676.

MICHAEL REID, of Dublin, died at the Marine Hospital at Charlestown, March 2, 1821, aged thirty-one.

JOHN REED, of Marblehead, died at the Marine Hospital at Charlestown, July 20, 1822.

JACOB REED, a convict in the State Prison, Charlestown, died July 17, 1822, aged seventeen.

1. James Reid of Tyrone County, Ire. Children, — Daniel and William (twins), Andrew, James.

2. Daniel, son of James, married Elizabeth Reed. Children. Ellen and Ann.

2. William, son of James, married Molly Irwin. Four children, names not given.

2. Andrew, son of James, is in St. John's.

2. James, son of James, married Elizabeth Cahan. Children, — Ann, John, Martha, Joseph.

3. Ann, daughter of James and Elizabeth, married Thomas Hallicks, and has three children.

3. John, son of James, married Elizabeth Macconnell. Children, — James, born in 1832; James, 1834; Susan A. J., 1842; Robert A., 1844; John W., 1845; Mary E., 1848; Albert C., 1851; Martha A., 1853. He lives in West Enosbury, Vt.; and is an independent farmer.

3. Joseph, son of James and Elizabeth. Children, — Arabella, John, Joseph.

Rev. Isaac Reed; went from Henderson County, Tenn., and made a settlement at what is called Reed's Settlement, in Panola County, Tex., when that section was in a wild state, and the savage Indians roamed at large over its wild and unfrequented forests. He had a large family of sons and daughters, and sons-in-law. His son Samuel A. Reed remains there; and William B. lives in Fairfield, Freestone County, Tex. This family are mostly members of the Baptist-Mission Church, and are a very respectable family.

—— Reed; a soldier of the Revolution. Children, — Robert, Mary, Adam, Jane, Joseph, James, John, William, Samuel, George, Dorcas. At the close of the war, he took a soldier's claim in Westmoreland County, Pa.; and moved from thence to some other place in the same county.

Robert. Children, — Robert, born May 9, 1812; James, April 29, 1815; Thomas S., Sept. 3, 1816; Dorcas, March 16, 1818; Sarah, Sept. 21, 1819; Hervey Niell, March 3, 1821; Harriet, June 26, 1825.

James, son of Robert, born April 29, 1815. Children, — Maria, born Aug. 10, 1840; Thomas S., June 25, 1843; Lavinia J., Jan. 31, 1847; Margaret, Feb. 16, 1851. He is the postmaster of Harrietsville, Pa.

—— Reed, who came from Ireland, and lived in several of the Southern States. Children, — Alexander, Samuel, George. The sons settled in North Carolina in the time of the Revolution, and were more or less engaged in the war. They afterwards moved to the Ogeecha River. Alexander was killed by the Indians. George had a ball pass through him in a battle with the British and Tories: the ball entered at the hollow of the breast, and came out the left side of the back-bone; but he lived to do much service after. They had a fort on their plantation, and the whites kept watch and guard while the blacks cultivated the soil. George afterwards moved to Jackson County, Ga., and from there to Dekalb County; and died about 1825. Children, — Robert, Alexander, George, Henry, Samuel.

George, the son of George, had seven sons.

Robert A., son of George, is postmaster of Burnt Stand, Ga.

James Reed of Clarion County, Pa. Children, — Joseph, Eben, Martin, James, Mary, William, Jane, John.

John, son of James, is the postmaster of Warsaw, in Jefferson County, Pa. Children, — Webster, born Feb. 26, 1850; Samuel Curtiss, April 7, 1852; Caroline Amelia, Aug. 26, 1854; John Franklin, Oct. 7, 1855.

—— Reed, who emigrated to America before the Revolution, settled in Fairfax County, Va., and had six sons,— Robert; James; Nelson; William; Saunders A.; John, who was a sea-captain.

Nelson Reed; was a Methodist minister, and lived in Baltimore.

Saunders A. Reed; settled in Wyandot County, O., where he died at the age of eighty-one.

Edwin S., son of Saunders A., is the postmaster of West Elkhart, Ind.; and has two sons and five daughters, names not given.

John Reed; married a Campbell; they were Scotch Highlanders; came to America, and drew four hundred acres of land, for Revolutionary services, in the town of Argyle, Washington County, N.Y. Children,—Peter, Alexander, Daniel.

Alexander settled in Argyle, and had ten children; one of whom is John, born in 1790, who has been postmaster of North Greenwich forty-two years.

Peter, the son of John, settled in Rockland County, N.Y.

Calvin Reed of ——; was out in all the Revolutionary War, and in the war of 1812. Children,—Luther; Calvin W.

Luther, son of Calvin, was an apprentice in New-York City during the latter part of the Revolution, and was in Gen. Harrison's army in 1813. He married a Miss Thorp of New Jersey in 1802, and emigrated to the West the same year. Children,—Luther, Calvin W., and John T. He died in the latter part of 1813. His children live in Georgetown, O.; and Calvin W. is the postmaster of that place. He was about a fair specimen, in size, of the Reeds who were born before the Revolution; being about six feet one

inch in height, and what would be called "raw-boned," like those in the North of England and in Scotland.

LUMAN REED of New-York City; distinguished in business, and a celebrated character for taste and the fine arts.

1. DAVID REID of Auchester, in Ayrshire, Scot., married Jean Stevenson. Child, — James.

2. James Reid of Dalmellington, Ayrshire, Scot., married Helen Morton. Child, — James M.

3. James M., son of James, married Mary Jane Burr, and lives in Lawrence, Mass. Children, — Helen Morton, born Sept. 1, 1853; Alice Jane, Feb. 8, 1857. This branch of the Reids have been residents of the southern part of Ayrshire for about two hundred years; but came there from Loch Hannock, Renfrewshire, and settled in Craigonill, near Ayr, about two hundred yards from the place which the poet Burns has since made famous as "Alloway's auld haunted kirk." There is a tradition in the family, that Loch Limerick was not the original place of this family; but that, in the time of Robert the II. of Scotland, they came there from Perthshire, Highlands, having been driven out in consequence of taking active part in some of the civil wars of that period, — about 1284. The same tradition also says that the name was originally Readeugh, or Reideuch, — a branch of the powerful clan Chattan, mentioned by Sir Walter Scott in the "Fair Maid of Perth."

JOHN REID of Chelmsford, formerly from Ireland, married Bridget. Child, — William, born June 8, 1851.

1. NICHOLAS REID of Greece, in the State of New York, was born at Baile Readh, or Reath (which is, in our dialect, Reedstown), in the county of Westweath, Ire.; which was

the capital of one of the provinces of Ireland while under the Reid dynasty. The ruins of the castle, church, town, graveyard, &c., are yet remaining; and the remains of the ancestors of Nicholas have been resting there from before the Christian era. He came to America in 1820, and settled in Greece. He has been a judge, and is a distinguished farmer.

1. WILLIAM REID, born in the county of Antrim, Derraighphy Parish, in the north of Ireland, about seven miles from Belfast, November, 1789; landed in Boston, May 6, 1818, and has lived in North Andover to the present time; married Ann Parker of Chelmsford, in Boston, Aug. 5, 1821. Children, — Laura Ann, who married a Johnson; James, married Mary Bumford, and lives in Danvers; Sarah Jane, married William Real; Martha W.; William Henry, lives in Cambridge.

1. ROBERT REED, commander of a merchant-ship, was accidentally killed in coming into Newport Harbor. Children, — Martin, who was seven years old at the time of his father's death, distinguished himself in business, and was a man of remarkable piety, — noticed in the history of Narraganset Church, and died at the age of eighty-one; Rev. Dr. John Reed, Rector of Christ's Church, Poughkeepsie, N.Y.

JOHN READ of Gravesend, Eng., was a branch pilot from Gravesend to London. Children, — Thomas, George, John, Nancy, Clifford.

Clifford, son of John, came to America, and married Cordelia Ann Perkins. Children, — Clarissa, born Oct. 15, 1822, married Elijah S. Griffin of Salem; Cordelia; Charles Chase; Benjamin Clifford, April 21, 1825; George W. P., June 5, 1828. He lived at one time in Charlestown, and likewise in Boston.

Benjamin Clifford, son of Clifford, born in Charlestown, June 5, 1828; married Cordelia P. Hodges of Salem, Oct. 4, 1855. Child, — Frank Perkins. He lives in Springfield, Mass.

George W. P., son of Clifford, born June 5, 1828; married Susan Elizabeth Brooks of Salem, Nov. 30, 1854; lives at No. 22, Hanson Street, Boston.

James, of East Boston, came from Nova Scotia to Boston, but was born in Scotland; married in Nova Scotia to Elizabeth M'Kenen. Children, — William, born Jan. 6, 1845; James F., May 7, 1846; Catherine, Dec. 22, 1847; Delano, Oct. 7, 1849; Mary Elizabeth, Jan. 13, 1855; Margaret Ann, Aug. 7, 1856.

1. James Reed of Fermanagh, Ire.; lives in Boston. Children, — George, William, Isaac, John.

2. John, son of James, lives at No. 22, South Cedar Street; married Magdalen Henderson. Children, — Ann, who married a Folley; Joseph, married a Livingston, and keeps at No. 102, Carver Street; Mary E.; Joseph H.; Margaret A.; Eliza J.; James.

2. James H., son of John and Magdalen, married Mary Livingston in Boston, Feb. 14, 1856; and keeps with his brother, at No. 102, Carver Street.

Gen. Jacob Read, was an attorney-at-law in South Carolina; and I find him the proctor in behalf of the captors and claimants for vessels taken at Ogechee River by Col. White, and his bill of twenty-five hundred dollars for the same, settled April 14, 1780. He was United-States senator for South Carolina in 1795; President, *pro tem.*, of the United-States Senate in 1797.

Capt. SAMUEL C. REID, the hero of the battle of Fayal, in the command of the "Gen. Armstrong," and the designer of the present American flag, which was made at his house in New York-York City, and was first hoisted over the Hall of the House of Representatives of the United States, April 13, 1818.

WILLIAM REED, married Sarah Matthews. He served in the early part of the Revolutionary War, and died of a wound received in Virginia, about 1777. His widow married Aaron Osburn of Goshen, N.Y. Her second husband was also in the army, but survived the war. She then married John Benjamin, and settled in Mount Pleasant in 1812. Her third husband died in 1816. She had five children, the youngest of whom was born in 1788, and was seventy years old at the date of the death of her mother. She has left four generations of descendants. She accompanied her second husband in the army as a page. She died April 20, 1858, aged a hundred and fourteen years, five months, and three days.

ROBERT REED, born at Ryde, Eng.; was compelled to leave England before the Revolution, and served in the American Army, and settled in Virginia. He had four sons: two of them live in Lafayette, Ind.; and one in Holmes County, O. One of his sons had — Robert, born in 1803; Thomas N., 1819; Simeon F., 1821; James M., 1823; William P., 1825; Theodore P., 1835.

Capt. WILLIAM REED of Duxbury, was born in Virginia in 1785; married Polly Glass. Children, — Betsy, who married Lewis Hunt of Duxbury; Hannah, married Jared Alden of South Abington; Samuel H. He died in Hanover, May 9, 1851.

Samuel H., son of Capt. William of Duxbury, married Lucy J. Estes in June, 1835, and now lives in Hanover. Children, — William E., born Sept. 24, 1836; Bethia, June 13, 1838; Mary G., Dec. 26, 1839; Lucy P., Feb. 10, 1842; Celia J., June 28, 1844; Eliza B., March 8, 1846; Augustine, March 14, 1848; Jane L., June 31, 1851; Cora W., Feb. 14, 1854; Samuel H., Aug. 3, 1856.

JOHN W. REED of Brookfield, married Abigail. Child, — William W., born Feb. 14, 1837.

1. JOSEPH REID, lived in Georgia, on the Savannah River. Child, — Jesse.

2. Jesse, son of Joseph. Child, — Samuel, who is an attorney in Blairsville, in the State of Georgia.

1. JONATHAN REED of Montgomery County, in the State of Maryland, was a native of Maryland; married Miss Metcalf; and married Miss Gatten for second wife. Child, — George, born in 1790.

2. George, son of Jonathan, born in 1790, and settled in Adams County, O. Child, — William H., a counsellor-at-law in Piketon, O.

1. HENRY REED, who emigrated from Ireland to America previous to the Revolution. He was in the war, and was wounded in the battle at Whitsil's Mills, in Guilford County, N.C. Children, — Robert; James; Henry, who now lives in Alabama.

1. WILLIAM REID, a brother of Henry, lived in Illinois. Children, — Henry; Thomas.

2. Henry, son of William. Child, — John D.

3. John D., son of William. Children, — Henry J.; Thomas B.

THOMAS REID, a son of a Presbyterian clergyman by that name, of German extract, in New Jersey, was a surgeon in the Revolutionary War, and afterwards a distinguished physician in Johnstown, N.Y., Fulton County, formerly a portion of the county of Montgomery; married Catherine, daughter of Dr. William Adams of Schenectady, a gentleman of Irish extraction, who lived to the age of a hundred and three years. Children, — William Adams, born in 1781; Archibald, 1782, who studied for a physician, but became deranged by study, and is now living in that state of mind at Johnstown.

William A., son of Dr. Thomas, was a skilful physician in Johnstown, and had a very extensive practice; married Jane, daughter of John S. Henry of New York, an Irish gentleman born in Dublin, and left with Emmett, and for the same cause. Children, — John Henry, born Oct. 3, 1804; Thomas, Sept. 23, 1806; James Adams, June 26, 1808; Helen Kelso, July 20, 1810; Catherine, Dec. 15, 1812, married George Barber, and has two children. He died in 1819.

John H., son of Dr. William A. Reid, born at Johnstown, Oct. 3, 1804; married a Miss Files, and has a large family of children.

Thomas, son of Dr. William A., born at Johnstown, Sept. 23, 1806; married Margaret, daughter of Hon. John Edwards. Children, — Jane H.; Margaret; William A., who now lives in Sutton, Mass.; Catherine; Elizabeth; John H.; Helen M.; Nancy E. The ancestors of this family, by both lines, have mostly been clergymen or physicians down to the present generation.

2. JAMES REED, born in Snow Hill, Worcester County, Md., of English parents. Child, — William B., born in 1767, married Elizabeth of Truro, Mass. Children, — William B.,

born in Bucksport, Me., in 1795, lives in Frankfort, Me.; John, who is in California; Elizabeth, born in Truro, Mass., 1796, lives in Bucksport; Littleton, born at Truro in 1793. He lived, when young, mostly at Truro and Provincetown, on Cape Cod; and the children were most of them born there, but lived a portion of the time at Bucksport, Me. He was killed in the battle of Hampton, Me., Sept. 3, 1814, by a thirty-six-pound shot from the sloop-of-war "Sylph," commanded by Com. Barry.

4. Littleton Reed, Esq., son of William B., born at Truro in 1793; married a Miss Lewis of Bucksport. Children, — Littleton, born at Bucksport, March 11, 1820; Joseph B., March 11, 1830; Mary Ann, Dec. 25, 1826, married Charles Snow; Elizabeth, born July 8, 1828, married J. L. Chipman; George W., born Feb. 20, 1834; Maria A., March 30, 1832; Charles D.; Henry L. He lives at North Bucksport.

5. Littleton, son of Littleton Reed, Esq., born at Bucksport, March 11, 1820; married Ellen Chipman.

5. Joseph B., son of Littleton Reed, Esq., born March 11, 1830; married Annette Bartlett.

1. Philip Reed (or Reidt), from Germany, came to what is now Montgomery County, Penn. Children, — Jacob, who was a colonel of militia in the Revolution, and was in the battle of Brandywine; Michael, who settled in Franklin County, and had a son, known as Esquire Reed of Shelsburg, in Bedford County; Andrew, who settled in Montgomery County, and married Mary Leidy. Children of Andrew and Mary, — Philip; Andrew; John; Michael, born in 1780; Margaret, who married Abraham Beidelman.

Philip, son of Andrew, married Margaret Mourer. Children, — Charles; John; William, Esq.; George; Jonas.

Michael, son of Andrew, married Catherine Horn, and lives at No. 216, Franklin Street, Philadelphia. Children,

— Willoughby H, of New-York City; Henry H., of Chestnut Street; Henry J., of Arch Street, above Seventh; George W., of Arch Street; James M., who married Sarah H. Bidlack, and keeps at No. 119, South Second Street (child, — James M., born March 12, 1858).

Joseph Reed, from Wales, served in the Revolutionary War, and settled in Berlin, N.J., on the Rancorus Creek, where he owned a large tract of land. He married Rachel Eldridge. Children, — William P., Obadiah, Joseph, Samuel, John, Acsa, Rachel, Allen, Abby.

William P., son of Joseph, married Sarah Taylor, and settled in Lamberton, N.J. Children, — Charles T., Wills T., Ruth, Sarah A., Martha, Rachel.

Charles T., son of Joseph, married Almira Vezey, and keeps at No. 321, Chestnut Street, Philadelphia. Children, — William P., Almira, Elizabeth, Clara.

Alexander Reed, son of —— of Tolland, Conn., born in 1784; married Abigail Daniels. Children, — Francis, deceased; James, who lives in Oregon; Belinda, married William Chaffee; Lucy Maria; John, lives in West Stockbridge; Luther A., born at Tolland, May 12, 1819; Samuel H. He died in Chelsea, Sept. 7, 1854.

Belinda, daughter of Alexander and Abigail, married William Chaffee of Summersville, Conn. Child, — Ella.

Luther A., son of Alexander and Abigail, born May 12, 1819; married Ruth R. Pulsifer of Ipswich. Children, — George Henry, born in Charlestown; Mary Frances; Ruth Little. Married in Boston, for second wife, Lucy R. Ingersoll, June 24, 1851; and lives at 193, Poplar Street, Chelsea.

Samuel H. Reed, came from Ireland, and died in Philadelphia, leaving a son (John A.), who keeps at the corner of Thirteenth and Market Streets.

Moses Read came from Ireland, and married Elizabeth M'Lellan. Children, — George, Robert, Moses, Samuel, Anne, Thomas, William J., Robert. He died in Delaware County. He was in the war of 1812.

Moses, the son of Moses and Elizabeth, married Esther A. Phimple. Children, — Robert; Ida.

Thomas, son of Moses and Elizabeth, married Hannah Hibbard. Child, — Charles W.

William J., son of Moses and Elizabeth, married Caroline F. Oat. Children, — Eliza B.; Cara L. He keeps at No. 1707, Market Street, Philadelphia.

George, son of Moses and Elizabeth, married Lavina Evans, and keeps at No. 1328, Race Street, Philadelphia.

William Reed; went from Glasgow to Londonderry, and had a son William Reed, who died at Manchester, Eng. Child, — Frank, who came to America in 1848, and lives in Lowell; married Anna Marshall of Maine.

William Reed, a Scotchman, was in the Revolutionary War; and, after the war was ended, moved to Nova Scotia. Children, — William, James, George, Margaret.

James, son of William, died in Nova Scotia. Children, — Thomas W., in California; James; Isaac; Jane; Harriet; Mary A.; Eliza; Margaret.

Margaret, daughter of James, married William Wetherbee, and lives in Portland.

CHAPTER XXIII.

REED OF THE BOSTON-POLICE NOTORIETY.

George Read, was son of a German emigrant by that name, who was a ship-builder; at which business George served an apprenticeship, and married Miss Church, a descendant of Capt. Church, of King Philip's War notoriety, and a deputy sheriff in Waldoborough, Me. Meeting with some difficulty in the business of sheriff in Maine, he came to Boston, and was appointed constable of Boston in 1812; which office he held till his death in 1843. He was the most distinguished rogue-catcher that ever lived in New England. There were many rumors afloat in his day in reference to his infamous conduct, which were the most of them founded in the terror which he caused in the hearts of the wicked, as nothing was ever substantiated against him detrimental to his reputation for integrity. He at one time owned a farm in Quincy, called "Bighill," where he lived, and came into town daily; but, when Mr. Quincy came into office as mayor, he informed him, that, if he wished to retain his position as constable, he must live in the city. He accordingly abandoned his farm, and ever after lived in town. Children, — Michael; George; one daughter, who married a Coy, and went West; one daughter, married a Glover of Quincy; James; one daughter, married a Kneeland; Benjamin C.; Lemuel, who was constable of Boston.

Benjamin C., son of George, settled in West Cambridge, and was a baker. Children, — Cyrena, born Nov. 29, 1831; Benjamin C., Aug. 2, 1833, died Oct. 22, 1833; Nehemiah C., Feb. 4, 1835.

George, the son of George, moved to Maine.

Jacob, the brother of George, married a Swanser. Children, — Catherine, who married a Hock of Waldoborough; another daughter, married a Wagner, and lives in Belmont; Margaret, married a Simmons; Jane, married Aaron Brown of Belfast, who is a school-teacher; Barbara, married a Moody; Berthia, married Isaac Brown; Zenas, married Elsey Light, and lives in Waldoborough.

Michael, the brother of George, settled in Lubec. Waldoborough was formerly called Dutch Neck, on account of its being first settled by Dutch; which accounts for so many Dutch names among this family.

CHAPTER XXIV.

REED OF THE "CONSTITUTION" AND "GUERRIERE" NOTORIETY.

THOMAS, born in Boston in 1759. His mother died in Scituate in 1814. Married Alsea Chesley, and settled in Harwich, now Brewster. Children, — Thomas and Priscilla, born Dec. 15, 1793 (Priscilla married Albert Clapp of Scituate, April 4, 1813); Polina, married a Devereux of Boston; Betsy, who married Seth Gannet of Abington in 1821; Polly, died young; Alsea, married Lyman C. Gaskell; Samuel, who lives in South Abington. Married, for second wife, Mehetabel Crosby. Children, — Joseph, who was born in Scituate, lives in Chatham; George (formerly Barney), lives in Chatham. He died in February, 1843, at Hanson, aged eighty-four.

Thomas, son of Capt. Thomas of Brewster, and Alsea. He was a seaman on board the schooner "Sophronia," Capt. Jenkins, master; and was pressed by the British frigate "Guerrière," April 8, 1811. He was on board of her Aug. 19, 1812; and, being called to duty at the gun, saw the stars and stripes in the distance, floating in the breeze, and making towards the "Guerrière;" which was to him an assurance that his redemption was nigh. He objected to fighting, and was ordered below. The "Guerrière" soon began to fire; but the "Constitution" saved her powder till she got the

right distance and position, and then her chain-shot soon did the work. He represents that the slaughter made on board the British frigate was terrible, as was also the destruction to her rigging. He was thirty years of his life a seaman, fifteen of which he was ship-master; but the day he arrived in Boston, and landed from on board of the "Constitution" amidst the cheers and congratulations of his countrymen and the joy of his friends, was probably the happiest of his eventful life. He now lives in Boston, having retired from the hazardous pursuits of the seas. He married Rebecca Griffith. Children, — Thomas G.; Samuel B., who was killed Nov. 2, 1852, master of the bark "Lyman," — born at Abington, Dec. 16, 1828; Lyman G., born Aug. 14, 1830. Married, for second wife, Hannah Gear, in 1834. Married Charlotte Clark for third wife, widow of Noah M. Clark. Child, — Harrison T., born Sept. 22, 1840.

Samuel, son of Capt. Thomas and Alsea, married Hannah W. Noyes, Oct. 22, 1834, and lives at South Abington.

Joseph, son of Capt. Thomas and Mehetabel, born in Scituate; married Miss Kent, and lives in Chatham. Children, — Joseph, who is at sea; Mary; David.

Lyman G., son of Capt. Thomas and Rebecca, born Aug. 14, 1830; married Matilda Clark, May 1, 1852, and is now at sea. Children, — Samuel B., born June 20, 1857; John F., born in Brewster, Feb. 14, 1859.

CHAPTER XXV.

REEDS OF VARIOUS FAMILIES.

HUGH REED, Esq., one of the principal proprietors of what is now Reedsburg, Clarion County, Penn.; and from whom that place took its name. He is still living in that place.

SAMUEL, married Lucy, and settled at what is now Reed's Corner, Dutchess County, N.Y. Children, — Silas; Columbus; John J.; Mason H.; Towner; Ezra, who lives in Wisconsin.

John J., son of Samuel. Child, — Samuel H., who keeps a public-house at Reed's Corner.

Mason H., son of Samuel, is the person from whom the village and post-office took their names. Child, — Alva C.

Silas Reed, brother of Samuel, settled at Reed's Corner, and had four sons; viz., Seneca, Samuel, Carlo, Harry.

Carlo, son of Silas, married a Pherson, and settled in Michigan.

Alva C., son of Mason H. Reed, is married, and lives with his father.

REED, an Irishman, had two sons, — James and Charles, — born in Virginia. He moved to Ohio.

Charles, son of the above, settled in what is now Reed's Grove, in Illinois; and the place took its name from him, —

he being the first prominent settler. He now lives at Rock River, at a place called Rockbottom; and his son remains at the Grove.

JOHN REID, born in the county of Tyrone, Ire.; married Miss Treanus. Children, — Thomas, who died in Scotland, and left a family, some of whom are in Boston; Philip, who died in this country in 1849, leaving issue.

Philip, son of John, came to America. Children, — Owen; Patrick.

Owen, son of Philip, lives in Providence. Child, — Thomas O., born Dec. 20, 1852.

WILLIAM REED, of Devonshire, Eng., had a son George, who came to America, and married Ann Hellyer, and died in Clinton, Me. Children, — Mary Grace, William H., Elizabeth Ann, Sibilla, John W., Anna, Martha Jane, George Edmond, Emma F.

Mary, daughter of William, married a Soper. Children, — Ann, George, John, Jabez, Mary, Edward, Samuel W., William Reed.

John Soper, married O. Butman, daughter of Henry Butman of Gardiner, Me.

William R. Soper, married Miss Rice. Children, — Emma Frances; Georgianna.

ROBERT REEDE came to Boston with Rev. John Wheelwright, and settled with Mr. Wheelwright and his church at Braintree, then a part of Boston. Mr. Wheelwright was a brother of Mrs. Hutchinson, and was a man of learning, piety, and zeal. He warmly advocated the doctrines of Antinomianism; and the General Court, Oct. 2, 1637, sentenced him to be disfranchised, and banished from the Colony. He and his followers went to Exeter, and formed a settlement there; and

Mr. Reede went with him, but returned to Boston, and lived in Boston in 1646. He was sealer of leather in Boston in 1653, but had not then dissolved his connection with the church at Exeter. His wife's name was Hannah, who died June 24, 1665; and he married Susannah. Children, — Rebecca, born in Boston, May 29, 1646; Sarah, baptized in Boston, 1st of second month, 1650; and Samuel, who died in infancy. His daughter Hannah married John Souter, Jan. 11, 1660. He was drowned by the upsetting of a boat, going out from Hampton, in 1668. It appears that he had moved to Hampton a short time previous, but owned property in Boston at the time of his death.

Nathan, of New Boston, a portion of Fall River, married Mehetabel Lawton for second wife. Children, — Asa, who lives at New Boston; James, who lives at New Boston; Warren, died; Rubie, married Bradford Bennet; Ruth, married Lucius Biglow; Rhoda, married Job Chase of Dartmouth; Patience, married Robert Barrett: the above were by a former wife. Children by Mehetabel, — John D.; Lois, who married George Sawyer; Lucinda, married Jeremiah Russell of Dartmouth; Fanny, married Caswell; Jirah.

John D., son of Nathan and Mehetabel, married Peace L. Macomber of Westport. Children, — Robert C., born at Fall River, March 20, 1856; Ann Eliza, April 29, 1858.

1. William Read, a slave, who ran away from Cloverick, N.Y., married Peggy Stedman of Connecticut, and settled first in Keene, N.H. Children, — William, born Sept. 25, 1791; Susanna, 1793; Celia, 1795; Abel, 1797; Peggy, 1799; Andrew, 1805.

2. William, son of William and Peggy, born Sept. 25, 1791; married in Boston, by Rev. Dr. Wisner, to Eliza Brooks, Nov. 23, 1823. Children, — Joseph Abel, born

April 12, 1824; Eliza Ann, Jan. 20, 1826; Mary Jane, Jan. 24, 1828; William Edward, Jan. 28, 1830; Edna Louisa, Jan. 24, 1832; Caroline Frances, Nov. 17, 1837. Lives in Salem.

3. Joseph Abel, son of William and Eliza, born April 12, 1824; married Martha White. Children, — Eliza, born about 1846; William, 1848.

3. Mary Jane, daughter of William, born March 24, 1828; married William Freeman of Lynn. Child, — Mary Elizabeth, born 1849. They live in Lynn.

3. Edna L., daughter of William and Eliza, born Jan. 24, 1832; married John Lane. Child, — Emma.

2. Peggy, daughter of William of Keene, married Jacob Depreise. Children, — Jacob Henry; Ellen Ann.

CHAPTER XXVI.

THE LANCASTER STOCK.

THOMAS READE, had a son Thomas, born in Lancaster County, Pa., Sept. 1, 1750, and served in the Revolution; married Steda M. Knight. Child, — Thomas, born April 20, 1791, at Shippingsburg, Pa.

Thomas, son of Thomas and Steda, born April 20, 1791; served as lieutenant, under Gen. Cass, in the war of 1812. Married. Children, — Thomas, born in 1827; James P., 1815, who lives at San Antonia, Tex., and is a druggist; Susan, who married S. L. Guice, Esq., of St. Paul, Ma.

Thomas, son of Thomas, born in 1827; was formerly a lawyer in Natchez, but lives, and practises law, in Fayette, Miss. He is known as Major Reed, and has been Grand Master of the order of Odd Fellows, and Grand Patriarch of the State. He married Mary Jane Forman. Children, — Kate, Charlie, Mollie, Susan H. Married, for second wife, Lovina A. West, a grand-daughter of Col. Cato West.

Thomas B. Read, a descendant of Joseph, was born in Kentucky; was United-States senator from Mississippi in 1826; and died in office, March 3, 1829. Children, — Isaac Shelby, born in 1810; Letitia E., born at Natchez, and married Spence Grayson, Esq. (formerly a lawyer, now a planter in Yazoo Valley, and a distinguished author).

Isaac Shelby, son of Hon. Thomas B. Reed, born in 1810; married the daughter of the celebrated Duff Green of Washington City, and lives at Fayette, Miss.

JOHN READ, whose grandmother was an Indian woman of the tribe of Benjamin. His paternal ancestry was also a mixture of Indian and African. He was many years a steward of a Liverpool packet. He married Nancy Day. Children, — John, who lives in New Jersey; Esther, died young; Edward; Thomas; Josiah; and Jesse M., — all of No. 101, South Eighth Street, Philadelphia.

John Read, who was born in England, came to America in the latter part of the last century, and settled in Philadelphia. He married Nancy Johnson. Children, — Sarah, who married a Morris; William H. J., who married Margaret Gorges, and keeps at No. 41, South Second Street.

Henry Read, of German origin, lived in Philadelphia. His children were — Mary; Henry, who now lives in Washington; George and Peter, both of Philadelphia; Catherine, who married Henry Robinson of West Chester; Charles, also of Philadelphia; Harriet, who married Andrew Coffman; Sophia, who married Frederick Hofner.

George, the son of Henry, married Catherine Gallinger, and lives at No. 926, North Third Street. Children, — William, Kate, Harriet, David, Henry.

Andrew Read came from near Hamburg previous to the Revolution, and settled in Philadelphia. Children, — John; Henry, who died in Norfolk, Va.; Bernard; Philip; Christian; Andrew; Mary. The fourth and fifth sons are now living in Philadelphia.

Andrew, the son of Andrew, married Elizabeth Linsey. Children, — Theodore F., Ambrose W., Roseman A., Andrew, Alfred, Edwin, Emily.

Theodore F., the son of Andrew, married Sarah Bennet, and keeps at No. 438, Market Street, Philadelphia. Children, — Albert, Rachel, Theodore.

Noah Reed went from Salem, N.J., to Ohio, many years ago. His son William married Rhoda Barton. Children, — Samuel B., Ruth, Rebecca, Avaline, Charles N., Mary, William M. Samuel B. died at Pittsburg, Pa., in 1843; William M. lives at North Benton, Mohoning County, O.; Charles N. married Mary H. Herriot, and keeps at No. 601, Market Street, Philadelphia. They have one son, by the name of Woodward H.

Hugh Reed of Newcastle, Cumberland County, Pa., had John and William of Chambersburg, and James M. of No. 130, North Third Street, Philadelphia, who married Anna Covode. Children, — John Covode and Jennie.

John Reed of Snow Hill, Worcester County, Md., married an Oliver. Children, — John, who died in Iowa; Jacob; Mary; Vashti; Sarah; Eliza.

Jacob, the son of John, married Martha Lackey. Children, — William A., Mary, Anna J., Joseph R., Jacob O., Lucy C., Edward H., George K., Alvan H. He lives at No. 301, South Second Street, Philadelphia; and is a prominent member and deacon of a Baptist church.

William A., the son of Deacon Jacob, is a physician, and lives at No. 1103, Arch Street; and is also a professor of physiology in the Homœopathic Medical College of Pennsylvania. He married Mary, the daughter of Rev. Thomas Brown, Jan. 2, 1849. Children, — William A., born Aug. 19, 1851; Ella D., Aug. 20, 1856.

CHAPTER XXVII.

REID OF ETHAN ALLEN NOTORIETY, AND OTHERS.

JOHN REID, son of Alexander of Stralock, Scot., was born Jan. 13, 1722; graduated at Edinburgh, and entered the army. He served under Gen. Amherst in the French War. He was stationed at Albany till 1763; when he was sent to the relief of Fort Pitt, then besieged by Indians. He obtained a grant of a large tract of land on Otter Creek, in Vermont; and was the Col. Reid against whom the celebrated Ethan Allen figured so conspicuously. He became major-general in 1781, and lieutenant-general in 1793. He died at his residence in London, Feb. 6, 1807, aged eighty-five. He was a celebrated flute-player. He left a large fortune, which he gave to the founding of a music-college after the decease of an only daughter.

1. JAMES READ came from the county of Kent, in Eng., to America, in 1705, and settled in Cambridge, near the Meeting-house. A portion of the burying-ground was taken from his house-lot in 1767. Married, for his first wife, Sarah Batson, Aug. 12, 1714: she died Dec. 25, 1721. Child,—James, born Oct. 9, 1721. Married, for second wife, Mary Oldham, April 3, 1722. He was a tanner, and an influential and wealthy man.

2. James, son of James and Sarah, born in Cambridge,

Oct. 9, 1721; married Hannah Stacy, daughter of the Rev. Mr. Stacy of Kingston, Sept. 24, 1744: she died Sept. 22, 1788. Children, — Mary C., born Oct. 8, 1745, died April 10, 1748; James, born Feb. 1, 1750, died July 29, 1750; Sarah, born Oct. 30, 1747; James, July 21, 1751, died Sept. 14, 1814; Joseph, born Sept. 10, 1753, died Sept. 14, 1753; Joseph Stacy, born Oct. 31, 1754; Hannah, Sept. 21, 1757. He died July 31, 1770.

3. James, son of James and Hannah, born July 21, 1751; married Betsy Wait of Ipswich, Dec. 3, 1772. Child, — James, born June 27, 1773.

4. James, son of James and Betsy, born June 27, 1773; married Mary Stebbins Brown, Aug. 1, 1799. Children, — Eliza, born on the Island of Tobago, Aug. 13, 1800; James Barnard, born on the Island of Tobago, Aug. 26, 1802.

5. James B., son of James and Mary S. B., born Aug. 26, 1802; married Emily Wyeth, Nov. 9, 1828. Children, — George James, Charles A., Emily B. He keeps at No. 680, Washington Street, Boston.

3. Joseph Stacy Read, son of James and Hannah, born at Cambridge, Oct. 21, 1754; married Esther Goodwin of Plymouth, Sept. 5, 1783. He was postmaster in Cambridge for many years. Children, — Sally, born July 11, 1784; Esther, Oct. 17, 1785; Joseph Stacy, Aug. 17, 1787; James, Nov. 19, 1789; John, Sept. 10, 1793; Elizabeth, Aug. 2, 1795; William, May 10, 1798, died July 15, 1799; William, born April 12, 1800; Mary, Sept. 19, 1802, died Jan. 4, 1854; Lucy, born Oct. 29, 1804, died Sept. 7, 1805.

4. Joseph Stacy, son of Joseph Stacy and Esther, born at Cambridge, Aug. 17, 1787; married Sally Goodwin of Plymouth, Mass., Oct. 25, 1819. Children, — Sarah, born Aug. 11, 1820; Joseph Stacy, Jan. 21, 1824, died young; Lucy Esther, born Jan. 3, 1826, died young; Lucy Esther, born March 2, 1827; Mary Elizabeth, April 12, 1830, died

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James Read

young; Joseph Stacy, born Oct. 1, 1832; James John, Jan. 10, 1835. He was a prominent member of the Mechanics' Charitable Association. He died May 24, 1853, aged sixty-six years and ten months. He was engaged in the harness-business, at No. 11, Exchange Street, Boston; and carried on an extensive traffic in all manner of wares, to such an extent, that his store became proverbial as the place where all manner of odd articles could be obtained. It is said that a wager was once laid between two men, that an article could not be called for which he had not on hand: and the party taking the negative called for a second-hand pulpit, and behold he had it stored away in one of the lofts; and the next article called for was a second-hand wheelbarrow-wheel, with the same result. The business is still carried on by his sons, who have moved to Tremont Row; but the family make Cambridge their residence.

James, son of Joseph Stacy and Esther Goodwin Read, born Nov. 19, 1789; married Hannah Palmer, daughter of Capt. Joseph and Jerusha Johnson Palmer, Dec. 6, 1815. She was a descendant of Stephen Palmer, who settled in Cambridge the latter part of the seventeenth century. There is a tradition that he came from the county of Kent in England. He was a tanner. The Palmer Family, for a long time, owned the estate adjacent to and lying on the south side of the old Cambridge Burying-ground. The last of the name who owned and lived on this estate was Major John Palmer, whose house was near the magnificent elm which was cut down a few years since. The children of James and Hannah Read are four: viz., Lucy Richmond; Helen Maria, wife of George Gardner of Boston; Louisa, wife of Christopher C. Chadwick of Boston; Sarah Elizabeth. Mr. Read has for many years been an active and prominent merchant of Boston, and is now the senior partner of the mercantile house of Reed, Gardner, and Company, con-

sisting of James Read, Henry J. Gardner (late Governor of the Commonwealth), Samuel P. Dexter, and Arthur H. Poor. On account of the special business of the firm, they are denominated "domestic-goods commission-merchants." Mr. Read is interested in, and treasurer or manager of, several large establishments, — all, except one, situated in Massachusetts, — in which, for the most part, *cotton goods* are manufactured.

Prior to 1842, Mr. Read had for a long period been engaged in the importing and jobbing business. About the commencement of that year, having made great importations and very extensive sales, he found his indebtedness large, the money-market stringent, and his collections, owing to divers unforeseen adverse causes existing at that time, slow, difficult, and very unsatisfactory. He saw that it would be necessary for him to devote all his efforts and energies, for a considerable period, to the collection of his debts and the closing-up of his concerns, by means of which he would not be able for several years, perhaps, to engage with activity and confidence in any new and prosperous business; and probably the result of his labors in settling up his old affairs would be, that, in addition to the loss of much valuable time, he would find himself, with diminished energy and without capital, unable to enter upon some new line of business with an assurance of success.

Under these circumstances, he, with much foresight and wisdom, concluded at once to suspend payment; believing that such a course would be most prudent with regard to the interest of his creditors, and the only expedient one for himself. He then availed himself of the provisions of an existing law of Congress, and gave up all his property to judicious, efficient assignees. The amount of his indebtedness was quite large; but the same was much exceeded by the nominal amount of his assets, a considerable portion of which

was available property. In a few months his assignees declared a dividend; which, after paying all the interest that had accrued, exceeded fifty cents on a dollar of the principal of all his debts.

Soon after his suspension, he formed a copartnership with the two gentlemen who are now his sons-in-law. They put into the concern ample capital for carrying on the business of domestic-goods commission-merchants. The circumstances under which he commenced this new business were quite auspicious. The money-market had become easy, the rate of interest not exceeding four to five per cent on prime paper. The manufacturing business was good, the quantity of goods turned out was large, and the sales were quick. The new firm at once entered upon a prosperous business. The senior partner's old friends, and many others, consigned their goods to his new house for sale; and, when the dividend of upwards of fifty cents on a dollar of the principal of all old debts was paid at an early day, perfect confidence was felt by the manufacturers, by all business-men, and by the whole community, in the new firm.

The assignees closed up the settlement of the old concern, and paid off more than five-sixths of the whole indebtedness. Within a comparatively short period, Mr. Read found himself able to pay off the balance not paid by his assignees. His creditors, who had already been paid an amount of dividend quite extraordinary, and had given their debtor a full discharge, were much surprised when they had notice to call at Mr. Read's counting-room, and receive the residue of their respective claims.

The course of Mr. Read was so honorable, and satisfactory to his old creditors, that they expressed their gratification by formal resolutions and other marked tokens of their respect and regard. Since that time, he has enjoyed a course of uninterrupted success and prosperity. His mercantile credit

now rests on a solid foundation, not to be affected by the revulsions of business; and the character for sagacity, intelligence, and integrity, which he has borne during his whole career, shines with increased brightness with his advancing years. Mr. Read has often been called on to render timely assistance, when merchants and friends have found themselves in embarrassment and perplexity; and no one can be named who has rendered more valuable aid as referee, as adviser and composer of difficulties, or who has been more ready than he to contribute his full share of labor towards forming new arrangements, and reconstructing or settling old concerns in the best possible manner, or to exert his practical wisdom for the benefit of others, and to put his hand in his pocket for every good purpose at the right time and in the right way.

While it is intended to refrain from alluding, on this occasion, to matters and circumstances of a private character, yet it seems not improper to say, that at the time his business was interrupted, in 1842, he was sustained and consoled by the kindest sympathy, and by timely assurances of co-operation, from the several members of his family, all of whom were ready to pass with smiling fortitude through a season of apparent adversity, and to do all in their power to regain the means of carrying out honest and benevolent purposes in a future career of prosperity.

4. John, son of Joseph Stacy Read and Esther, born Sept. 10, 1793; married Lucy G. Atkins of Newburyport. Children, — John; Horace; Herbert and Cornelia (twins), born March 22, 1850; Lucy, Nov. 17, 1853. He is an extensive dealer in English and fancy goods, near the College, in Cambridge.

4. Elizabeth, daughter of Joseph Stacy Read and Esther, born Aug. 2, 1795; married Josiah N. Marshall, July 23, 1823. Mr. Marshall died Nov. 23, 1852. Children, —

Mary Elizabeth; Sarah; Joseph Stacy, died March 8, 1848; Caroline Esther; Emily, died Sept. 11, 1836.

4. William, son of Joseph Stacy and Esther, born April 12, 1800; married Sally G. Atkins of Newburyport, Jan. 3, 1828. Children, — Sarah A., born Aug. 2, 1829, died 3d; William, born March 16, 1832; Mary S., Nov. 10, 1835, died May 26, 1838; Sarah A., born Feb. 24, 1838; John, May 19, 1840; Charles C., March 1, 1843; Edward, May 16, 1847; Nathaniel Goodwin, Aug. 15, 1849; Anna, March 25, 1852. He keeps hardware, guns, &c., in Faneuil-hall Square; and, though he keeps one of the largest establishments of the kind in the country, he never gives his note, doing wholly a cash business.

5. William, son of William and Sally, married Anna Maria Wheeler of Worcester, Nov. 13, 1856, and keeps with his father in Faneuil-hall Square.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

REEDS, READS, OR REIDS, NOT FULLY TRACED.

EBENEZER of Jericho, Vt., had Zantha, Miron, and Philander.

Philander, the son of Ebenezer, settled in Plattsburg; married Electa Richardson. Children, — Sarah Ann, who died young; Clela Maria; Elbridge H.; Joshua R., who lives in Cincinnati, O.; Harriet G.

Elbridge H., son of Philander, married Nancy Chaffee, at Thompson, Conn., Oct. 3, 1841. Children, — Sarah Ann, born July 7, 1844; Charles K. E., July 13, 1857.

Josiah Read of Swansea, N.H. Children, — Aldrich, born in 1814; Asa, 1816.

Aldrich, son of Josiah, married in Sherburne, Mass., to Louisa Mann, Nov. 27, 1856.

Asa, son of Josiah, married in Sherburne to Hannah Mann, Nov. 24, 1853. Child, — Sybell Marshall, born Oct. 31, 1854.

Henry H. Reed of Nashua married Ann M. Jones, Sept. 21, 1847. Children, — a daughter, born March 1, 1851; a son, Nov. 15, 1852.

John Reed married Lucinda. Children, — John, born at Nashua, June 15, 1837; Ann Lucinda, June 16, 1842.

James M. Reed married Joanna. Children, — Lucy Ann, born at Nashua, Aug. 30, 1837; James Augustus, Dec. 13, 1840; Bethiah E., Jan. 29, 1842; a son, July 21, 1852.

John married Hannah. One child, born at Nashua, April 8, 1855.

Calvin Reed had a son, born in Nashua, May 7, 1856.

Moses Read married Esther. Child, — Mary, born at Attleborough, Sept. 26, 1812.

Abijah of Nashua had a son Abijah, who married Lydia Hardy of Dunstable, Nov. 20, 1794.

James T. of Pembroke, who was son of Cyrus and Cynthia, married Nancy, the daughter of Benjamin and Sophia Pierce. Children, — James E., who died May 31, 1856; Susan A., born in Pembroke, Feb. 4, 1855, and died June 7 of the same year; James, born May 31, 1856.

Thomas of Hanson married Charlotte. Child, — Hope, who died Dec. 23, 1846, aged ten months and eleven days.

Obadiah married Abigail. Child, — Appleton.

Appleton, son of Obadiah, married in Hanson to Mehala Cushing, March 6, 1849. Child, — Frank Abbot.

Joseph of Barrington, Mass., known as Esquire Read, had a daughter Lydia, born in 1747.

William H., of the Taunton stock, married Amanda. Child, — William H., born at Rehoboth, Dec. 2, 1843.

Robert of Wrentham married Elizabeth J. Wiggin. Child, — John F., born May 11, 1854.

Oliver of Wrentham married Betty Force, Nov. 4, 1770. Child, — Oliver.

Oliver, son of Oliver and Betty, married Chickering Read, March 26, 1801.

Adam Reed of Boston married Margaret Derkin, June 11, 1699. Child, — Adam, born in Boston, Feb. 18, 1702.

Thomas married in Boston to Mary Fifield, March 1, 1707. Child, — James, born Sept. 16, 1707. Married, for second wife, Sarah Niles, Sept. 14, 1709. Child, — Sarah, born May 12, 1711.

Bridges Reed of Marblehead married in Boston to Mary. Child, — Mary, born May 12, 1712.

John of Boston, whose wife was Hannah, had a son Thomas, who was born in 1759, and died in Boston, Oct. 8, 1765, and buried in the Granary Burying-ground.

John of Milton had a son John, who married Amanda M. J. Baker, Dec. 13, 1851.

Robert of Boston had a son James, who married Mary Todd, June 19, 1851.

Edward married Susan Palmer. Child, — James G., born in Boston, Oct. 19, 1855.

John T. of Weymouth married Sarah J. Child, — Maria A., born Aug. 22, 1850.

John B. married Emily Loud. Child, — Emily B., born in Weymouth, Oct. 12, 1851.

Daniel F. married Joanna. Child, — Frank E., born at Weymouth, Oct. 8, 1854.

J. F. Reed married Sarah J. Tirrell, Sept. 23, 1849. Child, — Linnie, born at Weymouth, Sept. 16, 1855.

Silas married Louisa Richmond, Aug. 22, 1841. Child, — Levi R., born at Weymouth, March 27, 1851; Elbridge, July 7, 1853.

Thomas of Mendon married Sarah Burder, July 23, 1838. Children, — Edward, born Aug. 22, 1839; Walter, July 6, 1841.

Robert of Abington married Polly. Child, — Alonzo Harrington, born Nov. 3, 1829.

Thomas of Abington married Lydia Jenkins, April 12, 1810. Children, — Thomas, born April 25, 1812; Lydia J., June 15, 1814; Wolston, Dec. 29, 1819; Lucinda C., Dec. 11, 1834.

Thomas, son of Thomas and Lydia, born April 25, 1812; married Acsah Wesson of Wayland. Child, — Thomas F. Thomas died, and his widow married Brackley Shaw, jun.

Brewer Reed of Boston had William C., and Eliza, who married James Whitney.

Justus O. of East Windsor, Vt., had a son John H., born in 1823, and married in Boston to Mary M. Warren, July 4, 1854. Children, — James, who was married in Boston to Mary Todd, June 19, 1851; Robert, who married Sarah G. Huntress, and had Susan E., born at Charlestown, June 15, 1854; Samuel R.; Robert H., May 31, 1857.

Abraham of Dorchester married Mary Rollins, Sept. 25, 1818. Children, — George T., born in 1823, and married Mary Higgins, Dec. 15, 1856; Nathaniel, 1827, married Mary Ann Ayers, May 3, 1852.

Joseph of Newburyport had a son William, born in 1820, who was married in Boston to Julia A. Murphy, for second wife, June 1, 1854.

Jacob of Charlton married Desire Skelton, June 4, 1816. Child, — Rebecca, born in Woburn, June 16, 1821.

Charles C. Reed of Brookfield married Jane. Children, — Caroline E., born Sept. 3, 1842; Maria Jane, July 31, 1844.

Durfee Read married Wealthy Keene of Somerset. Children, — Elizabeth, born at Somerset, and married Simpson Jones; William D., born July 18, 1795.

William Read married Clinda Tingley. Children, — Maria, born at Attleborough, June 24, 1793; Ezra C., June 27, 1798; Herbert A., Nov. 18, 1801.

Nathan married Phebe. Child, — Robert, born at Swansea, March 3, 1779.

Samuel married Mary. Children, — Andrew Jackson, born at Swansea, Jan. 15, 1815; Mary Ann, Jan. 15, 1819; Nelson Stillman, Oct. 6, 1821; Julia M., Jan. 25, 1823; Hannah G., March 10, 1826.

William M. of Swansea married Elizabeth. Child, — Ella W., born at Providence.

Jacob of Littleton. Children, — Elizabeth, born June 20, 1839; Mary G., May 30, 1841.

Joseph E. of Littleton married Frances M. Tuttle, May 1, 1851. Child, — Lorenzo G., born Aug. 25, 1851.

Jefferson Reed of Littleton married Susan. Children, — Lucy Ann, who married Alvan Rhodes; Mary, born Oct. 15, 1853.

Benjamin, son of Col. Jonathan of Littleton, was born Jan. 13, 1779; married Mary Litchfield; published November, 1797.

John W. of Brookfield married Abigail. Child, — William Wirt, born Feb. 14, 1837.

George of Brookfield had a son George, who died October, 1840.

Joseph married Susan, and had a son Joseph, who married Nancy M. Lincoln, Dec. 5, 1847.

Thomas of Framingham had a daughter Mary, born July 12, 1846.

Daniel B. married Martha. Children, — Charles B., born at Framingham, Nov. 18, 1852; Emma A., Nov. 11, 1856.

Jonathan of Wrentham, born in 1745; married Susanna Shepherd, July 31, 1771. Children, — Jonathan, born at Wrentham, Sept. 4, 1773; Susanna, Sept. 4, 1775. He died Nov. 9, 1806, in a fit, while at work at his bench.

David of Westminster, Mass., had three sons: viz., Asa, who now lives on the homestead of his father; Abraham; and David, who died in 1855, leaving a widow.

John C. of Nova Scotia married Elizabeth, and lives in Abington. Child, — Clarence Herbert, born Aug. 25, 1852.

James of Plymouth married Lucy Fish, Nov. 6, 1788. Children, — Betsy, born June 1, 1789; James, Nov. 24, 1791; Polly, April 28, 1794; Ruth, Oct. 26, 1796; Samuel, April 24, 1803; Hezekiah B., June 10, 1805; Henry, March, 1808; Sally, June 7, 1811.

Nathan of Plymouth married Rebecca Morton, April 7, 1796.

Levi of Pembroke married Lucy Dotan of Plymouth, Jan. 7, 1799.

James, jun., son of James and Lucy, married Sally Hathaway, Aug. 29, 1812. Children, — James, born at Plymouth, Oct. 10, 1813; Silas, June 22, 1815, died Oct. 8, 1816; Silas, born June 2, 1817; Lemuel, Aug. 25, 1819; Lucy Ann, Jan. 1, 1820, died 1821; Joseph Allen, born July 19, 1822; Sarah; James, Aug. 14, 1825.

Lemuel, son of James, jun., of Plymouth, born Aug. 25, 1819; married Lydia D. Hutchinson, Feb. 13, 1840.

Hezekiah, son of James and Lucy, born at Plymouth, June 10, 1805. Child, — Deborah A., born at Plymouth, Dec. 3, 1846.

Silas, son of James and Sally, born June 2, 1817. Children, — John G., born at Plymouth, Oct. 15, 1848; Lemuel, Oct. 2, 1846.

James, son of James. Child, — Judith, born at Plymouth, Aug. 28, 1846.

George Reid of Ireland had a son James M., who was married in Boston to Ann Powell, July 31, 1854.

Mitchel Read of England had a son Peter, who was married in Boston to Barbary Brogan, Jan. 18, 1855.

Edward of Boston had a son James, born in 1834, married in Boston Susan Palmer, Oct. 19, 1855.

James of Ireland had James, born in 1832; married in Boston to Margaret Collins, June 30, 1856.

John of Bangor, Me., had Samuel H., born in 1831; married in Boston to Parmelia Vose, April 22, 1856.

William of Ireland had Joseph in 1833, married in Boston to Maria Paradise, Oct. 23, 1856, and settled in Lowell.

John of Nova Scotia had James M. in 1839; married in Boston Catherine T. M'Carty, Nov. 5, 1852.

Abraham of Fitchburg, Mass., had a Benjamin A., who married in Boston Eliza Howe, Jan. 9, 1852, and settled in Worcester.

Robert of Nova Scotia had Stephen C., who married in Boston to Eliza P. Crowe, June 5, 1854.

Joseph of England had Joseph, who was married in Boston to Caroline White, Feb. 24, 1854.

William of Scotland had James ; married in Boston to Margaret Graham, Jan. 16, 1854.

James of Boston, a harness-maker, came from New Brunswick.

John of Newport had John D., born at Newport, Dec. 16, 1777, and married Lydia Chase, July 15, 1798.

Robert Reed came from Balla Willa in Ireland, and settled in Lancaster, Pa., about the year 1798. He married Mary Walker. Child, — Robert S.

CHAPTER XXIX.

MISCELLANEOUS LIST OF MARRIAGES.

THE following is principally a list of marriages found upon the records; and the author, unable to attach them to their respective families, inserts them, as they may be of use to those interested.

John of Nashua married Dolly Lenned, Sept. 15, 1794.

James of Dunstable married Rhoda Farnam, Feb. 24, 1828.

Merrick Read of Westford married Lucinda J. Bennett, Aug. 8, 1844.

Elbridge G. of Lowell married Martha Bicknall, Oct. 11, 1844.

Alonzo of Nashua married Mary A. Holt, Dec. 6, 1846.

Hiram of Nashua married Sarah W. Powers, June 26, 1847.

George married Fanny Colburn of Pittston, Me.; published Aug. 9, 1802.

William Augustus Reed of Groton married Almira Gilson, June 8, 1848.

Alpheus J. of Westford married Sarah Parker, July 17, 1849.

Warren H. of Tyngsborough married Martha M. Davis, Oct. 27, 1849.

James H. of Lowell married Elizabeth C. Kingsbury of Keene, N.H., Feb. 28, 1858.

Ira W. of Nashua married Caroline H. Newton, Feb. 23, 1851.

Abraham of Westford married Mary A. Cummings of Tyngsborough, Dec. 26, 1852.

David of Weymouth to Joanna F. Cushing of Braintree, July 6, 1853.

G. W. of Nashua to Sarah A. Balcom, May 26, 1855.

Erastus B. of Peterborough, N.H., to Mary H. C. Greenwood, Sept. 1, 1856.

William of Merrimack, N.H., to Mary A. Clark of Nashua, May 6, 1856.

Oliver of Wrentham to Betty Force, Nov. 14, 1700.

Edwin of Mansfield to Sarah T. Cobb, Oct. 2, 1839.

John of Wrentham to Catherine Murphey, Nov. 5, 1848.

Joseph, jun., of Taunton, to Mrs. Abigail Harvey, April 8, 1776.

Amos to Lydia Walker, Nov. 16, 1769.

Capt. Z. L. Reed of Dighton to Mary Brown, Sept. 19, 1802.

John W. to Mary A. Border, Jan. 14, 1833.

Jonathan, jun., of Berkeley, to Abigail Axtell, Nov. 5, 1772.

Jonathan, jun., of Berkeley, to Hannah Chase, Aug. 9, 1778.

Charles of Swansea to Zilpha Myrack, Feb. 17, 1773.

Ebenezer of Taunton to Lydia Haskin, Aug. 24, 1782.

George, 3d, of Freetown, to Isabel Evan, July 10, 1789.

Thomas of Taunton to Mary Briggs, Sept. 18, 1783.

Gilbert of Dighton to Delia Ann Peck, Oct. 26, 1834.

Alfred of Dighton to Eunice E. Paul, Aug. 10, 1846.

Olando H. of Dighton to Abby E. Williams, Oct. 12, 1847.

Marcus of Attleborough to Mary E. Cobb of Foxborough, Oct. 20, 1839.

Thomas J. of Randolph, Mass., married Mary D. Copeland of North Bridgewater, Feb. 8, 1831.

William Reed and Huldah Tubbs married in Pembroke, Mass., Jan. 21, 1776.

Luther of Pembroke to Deborah Briant, Aug. 9, 1821.

Daniel A., son of David A. of Abington, married in Hanson to Betsy D. Keith, Nov. 3, 1850.

William of Boston to Ann Robinson, Nov. 17, 1712.

John of Boston to Elizabeth, Aug. 14, 1734.

John of Boston to Dorcas Lang, June 3, 1770.

Nathan of Boston to Susanna Wood, Feb. 9, 1742.

Joseph of Boston to Sarah Wiley, Jan. 1, 1765.

Andrew of Boston to Mary Stors, June 4, 1774. He died in 1770, as appears by the administration of his estate in Essex County.

William of Taunton, now of Dighton, to Sally Hathaway, Feb. 22, 1818.

Harvey Reed of Wrentham to Sally Briggs of Wellington, now Dighton, May 16, 1825.

Seth of Dighton to Matilda Smith, April 24, 1823.

Thomas of Boston to Mary Hunnewell, Aug. 29, 1756.

Thomas of Boston to Sarah Ridgeway.

Thomas of Boston to Elizabeth Porter, Feb. 20, 1734.

John of Boston to Margaret Dolphin, May 9, 1732.

William of Boston to Elizabeth Smith, June 30, 1732.

John of Boston to Eliza Barnes, July 17, 1729.

Aaron of Boston to Mary Soper, June 22, 1727.

Jonathan of Boston to Mary Winkull, June 21, 1724.

William of Boston to Mary Howell, April 22, 1723.

Joel of Boston to Elizabeth Johnson, March 30, 1807.

John of Boston to Hannah Burns, July 11, 1803.

John of Boston to Sally May, April 9, 1801.

William of Boston to Nancy Gregory, July 16, 1797: had probably been previously married to Elizabeth Hull, June 6, 1793.

John H. married in Boston to Hannah Mason, Oct. 15, 1804.

Andrew married in Boston to Bridget Davis, Dec. 3, 1835.

Holland married in Boston to Mary R. Sawyer, July 26, 1835.

Nicholas G. married in Boston to Almira Larry, Aug. 19, 1835.

William in Boston to Mary Brooks, April 21, 1836.

Abel M. in Boston to Rebecca Planter, Nov. 1, 1835.

Stephen A. of Mendon to Lydia Williams, Oct. 17, 1830.

John in Boston to Mary Winslow (colored), Dec. 9, 1813.

John in Boston to Elizabeth Newcomb, Jan. 14, 1810.

Thomas in Boston to Sally Thorning, Sept. 11, 1788.

Charles S. in Boston to Frances J. Grant.

Charles E. in Boston to Mahala R. Williams, March 18, 1834.

George in Boston to Caroline F. Godfrey, Sept. 3, 1837.

John of Roxbury to Charlotte Tyrell, May 4, 1837.

William C. in Boston to Lydia Thorndyke, Nov. 14, 1834.

James W. in Boston to Mary F. Sanborn, Oct. 19, 1836.

William in Boston to Hassen, March 2, 1836.

Benjamin H. in Boston to Elizabeth A. Tukesbury, Sept. 10, 1834.

Thomas in Boston to Mary Porter, Nov. 7, 1834.

Dean S. in Boston to Hannah Merser, July 25, 1833.

John in Boston to Mary Barrey, Sept. 18, 1833.

John in Boston to Mary Gilbert, Nov. 22, 1829.

Henry in Boston to Ann Howard, Jan. 30, 1828.

Thaddeus in Boston to Catherine O. Dow, July 27, 1825.

Henry in Boston to Rhoda Crosby, 1825.

John in Boston to Eliza Gilbert, Dec. 26, 1824.

Joseph in Boston to Eliza Cummings, July 16, 1821.

John of Brighton married in Boston to Phebe Manly, Nov. 28, 1821.

John in Boston to Miranda Barker, Nov. 12, 1820.

James in Boston to Mary Huntington, March 25, 1819.

George, jun., in Boston, to Jerusha Gould, Nov. 9, 1851.

Amos in Boston to Abigail Davison, May 1, 1817.

Augustus in Boston to Lydia Walcott, Oct. 30, 1817.

James in Boston to Abigail Wilson (colored), June 5, 1816.

Andrew in Boston to Lydia Burbank, July 2, 1799.

Edward in Boston to Rachel Lovekin, May 9, 1797.

Joseph in Boston to Mary Hanley, Aug. 21, 1814.

Silas in Boston to Betsy Whitcomb, June 14, 1813.

Edmond in Boston to Mahala Rex, April 7, 1814.

Charles in Boston to Sophia W. Clark, June 11, 1845.

William G. in Boston to Caroline E. Brown, April 9, 1845.

Samuel H. in Boston to Ann B. Crehore, July 30, 1844.

James W. in Boston to Ann Cushing, May 14, 1845.

Albert in Boston to Margaret Leavett, July 14, 1844.

Augustus in Boston to Mary Ann, Dec. 23, 1844.

George B. in Boston to Hannah M. Farrell, Nov. 13, 1843.

Thomas P. to Jane Jeffers (colored), Dec. 21, 1843.

John in Boston to Mary Sweeney, April 26, 1843.

George in Boston to Susan A. T. Cutler, May 1, 1843.

James in Boston to Harriet Meer, Dec. 17, 1842.

Charles H. in Boston to Mary B. Davis, Nov. 27, 1840.

Henry in Boston to Eliza Collins, Nov. 11, 1841.

Thomas in Boston to Charlotte Clark, September, 1839.

William in Boston to Jane Jones, Oct. 24, 1838.

Timothy in Boston to Abigail Frothingham, Jan. 11, 1853.

James of Scotland, son of Thomas, married in Boston to Mary Welch, Nov. 10, 1851.

George, son of Reuben of Freeport, Me., married in Boston to Maria Carney, July 8, 1851.

Thomas in Boston to Ann Sinclair, June 22, 1851.

Daniel of Sharon married in Boston to Mary Ann Richardson, Dec. 8, 1847.

Thomas B. in Boston to Mary J. Pratt, June 8, 1843.

Charles in Boston to Ann Shields, Sept. 2, 1845.

Alonzo in Boston to Rebecca T. Clark, April 19, 1845.

Francis of Tolland, Conn., married in Westborough, Mass., to Harriet Alexander, April 28, 1828.

Rufus W. of Westborough to Mary Ann Bower, Nov. 30, 1837.

Andrew P. of Westborough to Martha B. Stone, April 8, 1851.

Jonathan married in Chelmsford to Deborah Farrer, June 27, 1781.

Anson of Warren, Mass., to Tryphenia Tyler, Sept. 11, 1833.

Nathan of Brookfield to Rachel Streeter, Aug. 20, 1720.

John, jun., of Brookfield, Mass., in Boston, to Martha Richmond, May 11, 1772.

Daniel of Framingham to Mary Parmenter of Sudbury, Sept. 9, 1822.

Dr. William W. Reed of Rochester, N.Y., in Framingham, Mass., to Eliza Manson, Sept. 12, 1836.

Jonathan of Framingham to Mary E. Belcher, March 13, 1842.

Horatio of Natick to Mary Phillips of Framingham, Oct 25, 1844.

Franklin to Emily Crosby, Aug. 10, 1834.

William of Belchertown to Alvira P. Hale of North Brookfield, April 5, 1842.

Sampson of North Brookfield to Maria J. Henshaw of Charlton; published April 3, 1843.

Daniel B. of Wayland to Martha A. Marden, March 15, 1842.

Benjamin F. of Natick to Louisa Coggin, Oct. 30, 1848.

Hiram T. of Providence to Susan W. Northup, Nov. 13, 1842.

John M. of Franklin to Mary Ann Shepherdson, Oct. 22, 1843.

Horatio N. to Susan F. Sunderland, Oct. 19, 1845.

Aaron H. to Sophronia Cook, both of Douglass, June 26, 1847.

James L. of Worcester to Nancy B. Johnson, Jan. 20, 1847.

James of Sekonk to Amanda Read, June 24, 1847.

George A. to Sophia C. Smith, April 1, 1849.

Thomas to Lucretia Moffet, Aug. 1, 1849.

Cyrus B. to Hannah M. Bigsby, both of Thompson, Conn., June 21, 1852.

John to Phebe Paddock of Middleborough, Oct. 30, 1832.

Nathaniel to Sophronia Lovell at Middleborough, April 17, 1828.

William to Eunice R. Sturdivant, June 6, 1839.

Otis A. to Stelta Raymond at Middleborough, November, 1837.

John of Old Dunstable to Dolly Lund, Sept. 15, 1794.

James Wheeler to Hannah Reed, Feb. 11, 1794.

James Reed of Killingly, Conn., to Margaret Hunnewell in Charlestown, Oct. 6, 1764.

John of Boston to Hannah Eustice of Chelsea; published in Boston, April, 1756.

Noah Read to Fear Read, Jan. 28, 1773.

Moses, 3d, of Sharon, to Lucy Dogget of Rehoboth, Oct. 12, 1780.

John of Wrentham to Lydia Jones of Rehoboth, April 19, 1804.

Andrew at New Providence to Eliza S. Staples, March 7, 1842. Lives at Central Falls.

Timothy in Boston to Abigail Frothingham, Jan. 11, 1853.

CHAPTER XXX.

JOSIAH READ OF CONNECTICUT, AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

JOSIAH READ was probably elder son of John of Rehoboth, Mass., and was among the early emigrants from that State to Connecticut, — Massachusetts being the cradle of emigration as well as of liberty; and one of his first adventures was to the vicinity of New London. He was there, as of record, in 1652, and probably earlier. He had two sons; viz., John and Josiah. His descendants were formerly very numerous in Norwich and Windham; but have much diminished there, since the commencement of the last century, by emigration to other States.

2. Josiah, the son of Josiah, married Grace Holloway of Marshfield, Mass., in November, 1666, — Rehoboth and Marshfield being then contiguous towns; though the increase of inhabitants, and the incorporations of precincts and parishes into towns, has long since made the two places socially far distant. He settled in Norwich, Conn. Children, — Josiah, born April, 1668; William, April, 1770; Elizabeth, September, 1672; Experience, Feb. 27, 1675; John, Aug. 15, 1679; Joseph, March 12, 1681; Susanna, Sept. 20, 1685; Hannah, July, 1688. He died at Norwich, July 3, 1717: Grace, his wife, died May 9, 1727.

3. Josiah, the son of Josiah and Grace, with some descendants, may be found on p. 217, and from there to the

middle of p. 222; he being there inserted as the son of Samuel.

3. William, the son of Josiah and Grace, born April, 1670; married Anna Stark, May 4, 1699. He died March 16, 1756: his wife died Nov. 25, 1748. Children, — William, born March 24, 1700; Aaron, Oct. 11, 1702; Daniel, Feb. 16, 1705; Sarah, Dec. 28, 1710; Anna, July 4, 1712; Daniel, Oct. 31, 1714; Jerusha, March 6, 1717; Nathan, July 2, 1720.

3. John, the son of Josiah and Grace, born Aug. 15, 1679; married in Rehoboth to Lydia Caswell, Oct. 8, 1713. He died at Norwich, April 16, 1768. Children, — Lydia, born April 23, 1715; John, Nov. 14, 1716; Silas, Aug. 25, 1720, died Nov. 21, 1748; Lucy, born April 16, 1723; Thankful, Oct. 31, 1725; Zeruiah, Nov. 11, 1727, died June 3, 1756; Joanna, born Feb. 26, 1729; Anna, Feb. 19, 1732, died March 11, 1737; Judith, born March 26, 1733; Elizabeth, Sept. 19, 1735; Anna, March 29, 1738; Jabez, May 20, 1745. The elder John died April 16, 1768.

3. Joseph, the son of Josiah and Grace, born March 12, 1681; married Mary Guppie, Aug. 25, 1708. Children, — Joseph, born May 23, 1709; Abigail, Feb. 7, 1712; Marcy, Nov. 28, 1711; Esther, Nov. 22, 1714; Mary, Aug. 19, 1717; Elizabeth, June 28, 1719; Samuel, Oct. 16, 1721.

4. Isaac, son of Josiah and Elizabeth Armsdale, born at Norwich, Conn., Aug. 31, 1699; married Abigail Leonard, July 4, 1722. Children, — Abigail, born at Norwich, April 29, 1723; Amity, June 10, 1725; Isaac, July 4, 1729.

4. Jacob, son of Josiah and Elizabeth, born at Norwich, Feb. 1, 1702; married Sarah Gale of Canterbury, Conn., Dec. 12, 1728. Children, — Sarah, born Sept. 23, 1729; Lydia, Feb. 7, 1733. His wife died in child-bed, Feb. 11, 1733. He married, for second wife, his cousin Esther,

Dec. 21, 1738. Children, — Jacob, born March 9, 1740. His second wife died Feb. 13, 1741. He married Widow Lydia Longbottom, Jan. 30, 1750. Children, — Jedediah, born Oct. 27, 1750; Silas, Oct. 21, 1752; Josiah, Aug. 18, 1756; Esther, June 21, 1758; Jacob, April 27, 1761, died Feb. 12, 1763; Lucy, born July 29, 1764.

4. Aaron, son of William and Anna, born at Norwich, Oct. 11, 1702; married Hannah Knight, Jan. 10, 1723. Children, — Hannah, born at Norwich, Sept. 2, 1724; Aaron, Nov. 29, 1727; Zipporah, April 30, 1731; Jonathan, May 20, 1734; William, May 30, 1736, died May 12, 1752; Charity, born May 25, 1739.

5. Aaron, son of Aaron and Hannah, born Nov. 29, 1727; married Sarah Bingham, March 13, 1763. Child, — Roxanna, born at Norwich, June 30, 1764.

4. William, son of William and Anna, born March 24, 1700; married Mary Caswell of Taunton, Mass., April 30, 1724. Children, — Joshua, born at Norwich, Conn., July 4, 1725; Abiah, Aug. 18, 1727, died Oct. 19, 1728.

4. Joseph, son of Joseph and Mary, born at Norwich, May 23, 1709; married Thankful Andrews, Sept. 16, 1740. Children, — Jabez, born Oct. 11, 1741; Esther, Dec. 24, 1742; James, Nov. 23, 1745; Asa, July 29, 1748; Lydia, July 18, 1751; Hannah, June 29, 1754; Amos, April 25, 1758.

5. Joshua, son of William and Mary, born July 4, 1725; married at Norwich to Sarah Underwood, Dec. 24, 1747.

5. James, son of Joseph and Thankful, born Nov. 23, 1745; married Sarah Burdick of Hopkinton, R.I., March 22, 1768.

4. John, son of John and Lydia, born at Norwich, Nov. 14, 1716; married at Norwich to Dorothy Gallop, Aug. 22, 1744. Children, — Lucy, born Oct. 7, 1745; John, Nov. 23, 1748.

4. Samuel, son of Joseph and Mary, born at Norwich, Oct. 16, 1721; married Mary Andrews, Oct. 3, 1745. Children, — Samuel, born Oct. 28, 1746; Jonathan, Feb. 12, 1749; Mary, June 10, 1751; Elisha, Jan. 5, 1753; David, June 1, 1755; Prudence, Aug. 20, 1757; Benjamin, Sept. 24, 1762. The elder Samuel died at Lisbon, Jan. 17, 1801.

4. Silas, son of John and Lydia, born Aug. 25, 1720; married Jemima Kinnie of Preston, May 15, 1746. Child, — Amy, born May 13, 1747.

4. Nathan, son of William and Anna, born at Norwich, July 2, 1720; married Mary Gay, May 21, 1747. Children, — Susannah, born June 20, 1748; Nathan, Oct. 18, 1750; William, May 11, 1758.

5. Asa, son of Joseph and Thankful, born July 29, 1748; married, for second wife, Jerusha Buddington, Oct. 19, 1777. Children, — Hannah, born at Lisbon, Oct. 8, 1776; Solomon, April 1, 1778; Stephen, May 25, 1779; Esther, Oct. 25, 1782; Laura, April 27, 1786; Weltha, April 30, 1790; Selenda, 1st, born of second wife, Sept. 6, 1798; George, Aug. 17, 1800; Ozias, Dec. 28, 1802; Charlotte, July 4, 1805; Horace, April 9, 1807; Harriet, March 17, 1809; Eliza, April 1, 1811.

4. Amos, son of Joseph and Thankful, born April 25, 1758; married Mary Bennett of Scituate, R.I., July 9, 1778, and settled in Lisbon. He was a clergyman. He died at Lisbon, Conn., Nov. 2, 1838: his wife died Jan. 11, 1831. Children, — Daniel, born May 17, 1779; Caleb, Nov. 24, 1780; Levi, March 16, 1783; Walter, June 5, 1785; Josiah, April 22, 1788, settled at New Hartford, N.Y.; Sydid, born July 27, 1790, married Rev. Oliver Tuttle; James, born Sept. 8, 1793, — a clergyman; Amos, July 27, 1796; Sala, Aug. 17, 1798; Asher, Nov. 27, 1800; Thomas G., Aug. 7, 1803.

5. Daniel, son of Rev. Amos, born at Lisbon, May 17,

1779, and settled in Brookfield, N.Y. Child, — Lemuel, born at Lisbon, Jan. 24, 1801.

5. Caleb, the son of Rev. Amos, born at Lisbon, Nov. 24, 1780; married Mary Leffingwell of Montville, Sept. 6, 1804, — he was a clergyman. Children, — Mary, born at Brookfield, N.Y., July 28, 1805; Caleb, born at Germania, N.Y., July 10, 1807, — a clergyman; Benjamin L., June 14, 1809, wounded at Ossawatomy; Amos H., born at Lisbon, Conn., Feb. 22, 1811; Allen L., Oct. 24, 1812; John, Feb. 6, 1814; Russell, March 26, 1816; Lois, born at Colchester, April 21, 1817; Hiram W., born at Griswold, July 17, 1819, formerly missionary in New Mexico.

5. Levi, son of Rev. Amos, born March 16, 1783; married Elley Potter of Brookfield, N.Y., in 1817. Children, — Adoniram J., born Jan. 1, 1819; Benjamin, Dec. 31, 1820; Charles B., Jan. 23, 1822, — a clergyman; Daniel, April 11, 1824, LL.D., and President of Shurtleff College; Elon, Oct. 18, 1827, died at the age of twenty years; Fayette, born Sept. 5, 1831. The father is a clergyman of the Baptist denomination.

5. Thomas G., son of Rev. Amos, was born Aug. 7, 1803; married Emily Williams, April 6, 1825. Children, — Thomas H., born Feb. 11, 1826; Emily M., May 16, 1829; Duane B., April 20, 1831; Huldah D., May 30, 1833; Mercy Ann, July 28, 1835; Nelson, Aug. 26, 1838; Augustus F., Oct. 16, 1841; Horatio M., Sept. 6, 1844; Rausaw, June 20, 1847. His wife died June 23, 1854. Married, for second wife, Widow Eliza Bacchus of Bozrah, March 22, 1856. They live in Lisbon, Conn., on the old homestead of his father.

4. David, son of Josiah and Elizabeth, married Waitstill. Children, — Augustus, born in New Marlborough, Mass., Nov. 31, 1761; Hannah, Jan. 12, 1763, died June 23, 1786; Abigail, born March 18, 1766, died March 8, 1788; Elizabeth, born Nov. 8, 1768; Ruby, April 18, 1771; Eliphalet,

July 18, 1772; Reuben, Nov. 6, 1774; Molly, March 30, 1777; Abijah, Sept. 6, 1778; Phebe, April 27, 1782; Clarissa, Jan. 25, 1788.

John, supposed to be the son of John and Dorothy, born Nov. 23, 1748; married Ruth Chapel, March 7, 1783.

Elijah, son of ——, born ——; married Sarah Peck, Jan. 3, 1805. Children, — John P., born Dec. 24, 1805; Elisha, Nov. 3, 1807; Jemima, Oct. 20, 1809; Thomas N., Aug. 11, 1811; Sally D., July 8, 1814.

5. Sala, son of Rev. Amos, born Aug. 17, 1798; married Lydia C. Hamilton, Feb. 6, 1820. Children, — Lydia Ann, born at Lisbon, June 8, 1821; Betsy H., Sept. 1, 1823; Sala H., Aug. 24, 1825; Jonathan H., Feb. 22, 1827; Hannah B., Jan. 1, 1829; Sarah S., Sept. 19, 1831; Amos.

Andrew Read's pedigree I cannot give. He is supposed to be of the Norwich stock. Married Rebecca. Children, — Margaret, born at Norwich, March 22, 1740; Elizabeth and Mary (twins), Oct. 28, 1741; James, Nov. 1, 1743; Rebecca, March 27, 1748.

5. Eliphalet Reed, son of Abijah and Anna, married Sibyl Tracy, April 1, 1784. Children, — Festus, born at Norwich, Aug. 24, 1786; Roxanna, Jan. 22, 1788; Abner, Aug. 24, 1792.

Joseph Read, jun., married Sarah Kimball, June 5, 1740. Children, — Sarah, born at Norwich, March 21, 1741; Anna, July 8, 1743; Eunice, March 21, 1748; Abel, Aug. 1, 1753.

5. Asa, son of Joseph and Thankful, born at Norwich, July 29, 1748; married Phebe Kinne of Preston, Sept. 5, 1771. Children, — Lemuel, born July 3, 1774; Hannah, Oct. 8, 1775; Solomon, April, 1777.

5. Samuel, son of Joseph and Mary, born Oct. 28, 1746; married Lucy Kilham of Preston, Sept. 24, 1769. Children, — Sarah, born at Norwich, Aug. 12, 1775, died April 7, 1795; Lucy, born June 30, 1778; Elijah, Aug. 5, 1780.

2. John Read of Windham, Conn., son of Josiah, born in 1647. John Read bought of John Denison, of Saybrook, "a thousand-acre right" of land in Windham, Dec. 21, 1695; consideration, £8. 10*s*. His will is dated Sept. 14, 1724. His wife was Sarah ——. He died March 4, 1727–8, aged eighty-one. His wife survived him. The following children are mentioned in his will, in the order here given: Sarah, married Isaac Holt; Mary, married Robert Hebard; Constant (daughter), married —— Fuller; John; Thomas; Christian, married John Flint. The following is on our records of births: Nathaniel, son of John and Sarah Reed, born March 9, 1696, died April 3, 1696. Most of his property had been disposed of in portions to his children before the date of his will. In his will, he mentions his land and buildings on the "east side of the town street," which he had given to his son John. By this it appears that he lived in Windham Centre, and was here about six or eight years after the first settlement.

3. John Read, son of John and Sarah, married, first, Mary Branch, March 14, 1711, and by her had five children: she died Oct. 8, 1718. He married, second, Hannah Palmer, daughter of Jonah, April 27, 1721; and by her had seven children. He died March 3, 1735, aged about fifty: Hannah, his second wife, died Oct. 12, 1755, aged fifty-nine. Children by first wife, — Nathaniel, born March 2, 1712, died March 12, 1712; Mary, born Aug. 7, 1713; Elizabeth, Sept. 18, 1715; John, Jan. 10, 1716–17, died Nov. 10, 1717; Nathan, born Sept. 1, 1718, died Nov. 11, 1718. Children by second wife, — Hannah, born April 7, 1722, married Hezekiah Follet; John, born Aug. 4, 1723, married Rebecca Turner; Elihu, born June 16, 1725, died July 11, 1726; Seth, born Dec. 22, 1726, died Feb. 6, 1734; Amasa, born May 15, 1729; Irena, Feb. 4, 1730–1; Susannah, Feb. 24, 1733–4, died April 16, 1735.

4. John married Rebecca Turner, March 6, 1745. Jonathan, their son, born March 18, 1746; Silas; Dolly; John.

5. John, the son of John and Rebecca, married Rachel Averill. Children, — Lucy, born at Lisbon, Oct. 19, 1775, who married Daniel Bishop of Lisbon, and settled in Warren, Henniker County, N.Y.; John, born Sept. 1, 1777, died in 1815; Rachel, born July 15, 1779, married a Button of Griswold, Conn.; Dolly, born April 17, 1782; Silas, March 22, 1784; Darius, April 17, 1787, died in Rome, N.Y., in 1858; Averill, born March 18, 1792, died some years since.

6. Dolly, daughter of John and Rachel, born April 17, 1782; married in January, 1802, to Col. Freeman Tracy, who figured at New London and Stonington in the war of 1812, and was for several years a conspicuous member of the Legislature, and deacon of the church. Children, — Sophronia, born November, 1802, and died, unmarried, in 1857; Hiram A., born September, 1804, married Mary Ann, daughter of Henry Sabin, Esq., of Plainfield, Conn. (he was a graduate of Andover Theological Seminary, and settled in Sutton, Mass., in 1835, dismissed December, 1840; Secretary of the A. B. C. F. M. at Cincinnati from 1851 to 1860); Jesse, born November, 1806; John R., January, 1807; Thomas, 1811; Douglass, 1813; Angelina, 1815; Edward F., 1818; Lucy, 1823; Andrew R., 1825.

7. Hiram A., son of Dolly Read and Freeman Tracy, born September, 1804; married Mary Ann Sabin. Children, — Harriet G., born Feb. 6, 1837, died April 9, 1846; Frederick S., born Aug. 2, 1839; Mary L., Feb. 24, 1842.

6. Silas, son of John and Rachel, born March 22, 1784; married Sarah Meech, Oct. 4, 1826. Child, — Hezekiah L., born at Lisbon, Oct. 1, 1827. Silas and his son live on the old homestead in Lisbon; it having been occupied by the family since 1695.

Amasa, son of John and Hannah, born May 15, 1729. For further particulars, see p. 201.

3. Thomas Read, son of John and Sarah, married, first, Rebekah Palmer, daughter of Jonah, Feb. 28, 1711–12: by her he had seven children. She died March 7, 1725–6. He married, second, Esther Webb, Nov. 9, 1726, and by her had eight children. Children by first wife, — Ruth, born Dec. 12, 1712, married Joseph Hutchinson; Mehetabel, born Aug. 10, 1714, married Joseph Robinson; Joshua, born Aug. 27, 1726; Solomon, Aug. 19, 1718; Hezekiah, Feb. 23, 1720–1; David, Sept. 28, 1722; Thomas, May 5, 1725, died May 5, 1725. Children by second wife, — Rebekah, born June 15, 1728, died July 25, 1728; Rebekah, born Jan. 17, 1729–30; Josiah, Nov. 21, 1731; Sarah, Nov. 15, 1733; Seth, March 28, 1735; Thomas, July 15, 1736, died Sept. 12, 1736; Esther, born Nov. 13, 1737; Jeremiah, May 8, 1740.

4. Joshua Read, son of Thomas and Rebecca, first married Hannah Follet, daughter of Benjamin, Dec. 26, 1745, and by her had one child: she died Dec. 26, 1750. He married, second, Dorothy Woodward, July 2, 1751: she died Dec. 26, 1753. He married, third, Hannah Palmer, Aug. 7, 1754: she died June 13, 1755. He married, fourth, Edith Bidlack, April 7, 1756, and by her had seven children. Child by first wife, — Beriah, born Dec. 4, 1749. Children by fourth wife, — Sarah, born July 3, 1757; Hannah, Jan. 17, 1759, died Sept. 8, 1759; Ruth, born March 18, 1761; Edith, Feb. 17, 1763; Ella (son), Jan. 27, 1766; Phinehas, Feb. 24, 1768; Lucy, March 23, 1770.

4. David Read, son of Thomas and Rebecca, married Mary Ellis, Dec. 28, 1746, and had by her nine children, — Thomas, born November, 1747; Abner, Aug. 19, 1749; Mary, Sept. 2, 1751; Eunice, July 17, 1753; Tryphena, Oct. 19, 1756; Lydia, July 31, 1758, died April 29, 1760;

Josiah, born July 6, 1760; Elizabeth, July 29, 1762; Lydia, May 25, 1764.

4. Josiah Reed, son of Thomas and Rebecca, married Eunice Kingsbury, Jan. 2, 1755. Hannah, their daughter, born Sept. 27, 1755. Josiah Reed was killed by Indians, in the year 1756, in his march from Fort Edward to —— (illegible), with Lieut. Grant and party.

APPENDIX.

6. Ozias, the son of Asa (noticed on p. 532), was born at Lisbon, Conn.; married Martha Kelley of Harwich, Mass.

8. Abraham, son of Roswell and Polly (noticed on p. 165), married Mary A. Cummings of Tyngsborough, Mass., and lives in Tyngsborough. Children, — Otis H.; Ellen A.; Horace H.; and an infant, whose name is not known.

Rev. Ahab Read, a settled minister in Blackstone, Mass., had a son Stephen; who had a son William H., born at Blackstone, Aug. 7, 1836, — a boat-builder.

Washington, son of John, and grandson of John, born at Freetown, Mass., July, 1812; married Caroline Chase. Child, — Allen W., born May 28, 1839.

Edward of London, Eng., had John, born Dec. 17, 1823; who married Eliza Randall, in Providence, Nov. 9, ——. Child, — Anna F. He is a machinist.

John of Newport, R.I., had a son known as Capt. John, who had a son John, born March 21, 1823; married Sarah J. Sherman. Children, — John, born Dec. 9, 1846; William H., born at Newport, Dec. 23, 1851.

Alexander of Greenwich had Alexander, who had Alexander, who was father of Peter, born at Greenwich, N.Y., March 24, 1823; and married Amanda H. Hunt of Providence. Children, — Susan B., born Jan. 7, 1848, at Providence; Alexander; James H., born September, 1854. Peter is a harness-maker at Providence.

Brayton Read had Simeon; and Simeon had Spencer P., born at Olneyville, July 30, 1828; and Patrick of Taunton. Spencer mar-

ried Alice H. Henly, at Providence. Children, — Amey H., born Feb. 4, 1853; Sarah E., Aug. 17, 1855; Julian M., Sept. 15, 1857.

Crawford Reed had a son Crawford, born at Paisley, Scot., July 4, 1808. Children, — Jennette, born at Pawtucket, Feb. 25, 1836; Sarah, Nov. 21, 1837; Mary C., born at Baltimore, Dec. 8, 1839; Catherine, born at Norwich, Conn., Nov. 16, 1841.

Laura Ann, the daughter of William and Ann (noticed on p. 448 as having married a Johnson, — a mistake in copying), was married to James Anderson, April 12, 1846. Children, — Samuel H., born April 26, 1847; Edmond C., March 20, 1849, died April 16, 1850; George F., born June 15, 1850; William G., Nov. 24, 1853, died Dec. 19, 1854; James H., born April 21, 1855; Charles A., Aug. 17, 1857; Anna P., March 24, 1860, died April 19, 1860. They live at South Groveland.

Continuation of the New-London and Lyme Stock.

Enoch Reed and Mrs. Phebe Peck were married at Lyme, Conn., Jan. 7, 1762. Children, — Joseph, born at Lyme, May 17, 1763; Hepsibah, March 17, 1764; Caroline, April 12, 1766; John, July 20, 1768; Mary, Nov. 26, 1770; Rebecca, Jan. 3, 1778.

Joseph, son of Enoch, born May 17, 1763; married Phebe Reed. Children, — Abigail, born Dec. 20, 1784; Sally, Dec. 14, 1786; Caroline, April 20, 1789; Nancy and Laura, June 4, 1791; John, Dec. 18, 1792; Henry, May 4, 1796; Amelia, July 13, 1799; Charles W., Dec. 18, 1802.

Jonathan Reed married Abigail Comstock, April 15, 1756. Child, — Jonathan, born at Lyme, Dec. 21, 1757. The elder Jonathan died at Lyme, April 8, 1759.

Mary A. P. Reed, of Lyme, was married to Alpheus Thompson, May 4, 1790. Children, — Fanny, born at Lyme, May 31, 1791; Isaac, June 7, 1794; Lyna, Oct. 23, 1796; Erastus, June 5, 1803. She died at Lyme, May 19, 1805.

William Watson and Betsy Reed were married at Lyme, Sept. 16, 1798. Child, — Henry, born Oct. 27, 1799.

George W. Phelps and Sally Reed were married at Lyme, April 14, 1830.

Albert L. Huntly and Lydia B. Reed were married at Lyme, March 16, 1831.

Selden P. Mason and Phebe Reed, both of Lyme, were married Sept. 1, 1831.

Joseph W. Huntley and Mary E. Reed were married at Lyme, Nov. 10, 1835.

John A. Russ and Ruth A. Reed were married at Lyme, Nov. 24, 1836.

Richard Reed of Lyme had a son Lynd Reed, known as a captain, and married a Tillotson. He died at New London about the year 1825. Children, — Richard, Washington, Ansel, and Jeremiah. The two last named are living in East Lyme.

Robert Reed, of that part of Waterford which was included in East Lyme, died about the time Waterford was chartered, but while it was a part of New London. He left three sons: viz., Robert; James, who died in 1813; and Charles, who now lives in Waterford, having sons (viz., James, now living in Waterford; and Timothy R., in East Lyme).

There is a Baptist clergyman by the name of Reed in the vicinity of New London; and there is one by the name, who keeps the lighthouse at New London, and has a son in Waterford. But I am unable to give any further account of them.

The foregoing are supposed to be of one stock, and, on that account, are given in connection; although it is impossible to trace their genealogy, as there are no data to take it from.

8. Adeline M., the daughter of Hon. David and Judith (noticed on p. 289), married Rev. M. Colburn of South Dedham, Mass. Children, — John D., born Sept. 17, 1857, died in infancy; Judith M., born Aug. 3, 1860.

5. The children of Thomas and Rhoda (noticed on p. 92) were — Rhoda, born July 13, 1762, who married Frederick Johnson; Seth, born June 21, 1765, and married Fanny Harrington at Lexington, July 26, 1796, and afterwards married Lydia Harrington for second wife. William C., the son of Thomas, was born Sept. 11, 1766; married a Miss Pollard, and lived many years where the M'Lean Asylum now stands; and was foreman for the celebrated Mr. Barrel, the former owner of that estate. Their children were — Susanna W., who married Prescott Pomroy Pond; Electa B., who married Luther Rand; William C., who died in infancy; Benjamin F., also died in infancy; William C., born Sept. 19, 1806, married Sarah G. Johnson; Margaret W., born Sept. 15, 1808,

married Aaron E. Whittemore; Rebecca Theresa, authoress of the narrative entitled "Six Months in a Convent;" Mary J., married John Ewee; Francena M., married Henry D. Dutch; Almira A., married Joseph L. Stone.

4. William, the son of William and Mary, noticed on p. 392; and, in addition to the children there named, he had daughters Mary, Rebecca, and Eunice. He died in 1769, and his will was proved April 14 of the same year.

2. William, the son of William and Elizabeth (on p. 407), had a son Elijah (noticed on p. 410). Administration of the estate of William was granted to William, 2d, May 6, 1777.

The following has reference to Timothy and Martha, on p. 229, and their descendants on several succeeding pages; and is inserted to show life as it was in those times: —

Gathering of the Read Family, — a Remarkable Meeting.

To the Editor of the "Boston Journal."

A GENERAL family gathering of children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, embracing every living member, to the number of threescore, to greet the old folks, near fourscore years and ten, hale and hearty, is a thing of no common occurrence. Such a gathering took place on Thursday, Aug. 16, at the house of Mr. Josiah P. Read in Swansey, N.H. About eighty of his descendants and near relatives enjoyed the privilege of sitting down to Great-grandfather Read's extension-table.

The hearts of the old folks were large: but the old house was not large enough for this large family; so the young folks contrived to meet the difficulty by sending the boys out into the woods, and collecting materials for making a little birch arbor on the lawn. This done, the table was drawn out just long enough; and was quickly filled with a bountiful supply of food and fruit, and tastefully decorated with bouquets made by the little folks, and a beautiful wreath, formed of oak-leaves, placed in an oblong circle, extending from end to end and across the table. The venerable couple were conducted to their seats, at the head, by their oldest son, — William Read, Esq., of Swansey. Rev. John G. Wilson, their beloved pastor, was seated next to them; and the families, with their children, in genealogical order. The divine blessing was invoked by W. S. Wilder of New York. After a very pleasant and social discussion of the contents of the table, the aged father briefly related some incidents of his early life. He was born in Rehoboth, Mass. His father, grandfather, and great-grandfather bore the name of Timothy Reed. His father was a soldier in the Revolution, and was also engaged in the French War. Many

things connected with the Revolution were fresh in his memory, — such as the frequent alarms, the assembling of men at the Town Hall, the forming of companies, the Beacon-Hill heights, and the burning of Charlestown, &c. He well remembered the dark day; and said, "It was as dark as a very cloudy night at the full of the moon." Two years before the close of the war, his father moved to this town. Ox-teams were employed to carry the goods and the children, — the weights of all being taken. The minister was called in, and religious services were held appropriate to the occasion. They travelled about twenty miles per day, and were ten days in reaching Swansey. They spent the sabbaths on the road religiously, — making about seven days' travel. A log-house was built, and two acres of timber-land cleared, the first year. The Indians had been very troublesome in this vicinity; but they had disappeared. Bears and wolves were plenty, and made sad havoc among the sheep and the grain. One night, nearly fifteen sheep were killed by the wolves. A few families had previously commenced settlements in this town, and all but one lived in log-huts. A rudely constructed meeting-house had been raised, where divine service was regularly held on the sabbath. The upper part of the house was filled with swallows, which built their nests there and reared their young; and the basement was used as a sheep-pen, to protect them from the wolves. He helped to build a new meeting-house, and the first school-house in town.

On becoming of age, he built a house of his own, procured some land, and then looked out for a wife; and was married to his present beloved companion, Mary Forbes of Barre, Mass., when she was but seventeen years of age. For over sixty years, they had lived happily together; and now their eyes were rejoiced to see their children and their children's children gathered around this festive board. While the old patriarch was giving utterance to the history of his early life, the younger members drew near, and listened with great interest; and, if we mistake not, when the old man touched upon some of the trying scenes of his early experience in the then wilderness of Swansey, an occasional tear stole its way down the furrowed cheeks of some of the oldest members of the family, soon chased away with a cheerful smile, as the agreeable tones of the family melodeon sounded the notes of a familiar tune, in which all joined in singing an appropriate song. This done, then commenced a regular family chit-chat about old times. William told of his remembrance of Grandfather and Grandmother Reed, who lived to the age of fourscore, and were kindly cared for during their last days by his respected father and mother, now present; how he used to yoke up the oxen, and, with a sled, take his little brothers and sisters to the distant schoolhouse by a rough and crooked path through the woods. Josiah M., Benjamin, and Edwin F., each had their turn; and it was pleasantly, and, we think, profitably improved. Rev. Mr. Wilson then closed this interview with some

very timely and exceedingly impressive remarks to parents and children; and offered a fervent prayer to God, that this festal gathering might be as truly profitable as it had been pleasant, and that, when gathered in our Father's house above, there might none be left out.

It was remarked by one of the brothers, that none of the family ever arrived to any marked distinction. Still, we learn, the highest offices in the gift of the town have been honorably filled by some, the Legislature has had its representative, the military honors its recipient, among them. The Christian Church has in it many of its worthy members, including grandparents and grandchildren. If there are none very rich, there are none very poor. In the cause of temperance, this may be called the "banner" family. The use of intoxicating drinks is not known to exist among them. Many of them have privately and publicly labored to have the land as free from the curse of rum as it now is from the ravages of the Indians, the bears, and the wolves. R.

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4. David, the son of Paul Reed of Boothbay, had a son Andrew, who married Jane, the daughter of Col. Andrew Reed.

4. Robert, the son of Paul of Boothbay, born about 1760; married Sarah Stevens of Salisbury, Mass. Children, — William, born in Salisbury, Jan. 18, 1787; John, of Boothbay; Robert, of Boothbay.

5. Capt. William, son of Robert and Sarah, married Hannah P. Hutchins, who died Jan. 24, 1852; and moved to Vassalborough in 1835. Children, — Sally S.; William, born Oct. 11, 1811; Abigail, born May 30, 1813; Joseph, Jan. 10, 1815; Benjamin H., July 13, 1816; Elbridge G., Jan. 11, 1819; Newell B., Nov. 10, 1820; Hannah, Feb. 20, 1825; Bradford G., March 21, 1827; Roxanna, March 31, 1832, died young; Elizabeth, died young.

6. Sally S., daughter of Capt. William Reed of Vassalborough, married Enoch Brown, and lives in Vassalborough. Children, — William; Hannah; Adelaide, who married Edward Stackpole; Melvin; Horace; Oscar; Henry; Edgar; Enoch L.

6. William, son of Capt. William, married Hannah Hall, and settled in California. Children, — Elizabeth R., Charles G., and George.

6. Abigail H., daughter of Capt. William, married in 1839 to Amaziah Trask; and they live in Vassalborough. Children, — Ardeen, born in 1840; Bradford R.; Diodore A.; Smith S.; and Estelle.

6. Joseph, son of Capt. William, married in 1840 to Frances Homans; and they live in Vassalborough. Children, — John H., born in 1841; Thomas B.; Mary F.; Joseph H.; Liander C.

6. Benjamin H., son of Capt. William, married Adeline Stevens, and settled in Vassalborough. Children, — Eliza, Sara Emma and Martha E. (twins), William S., Prescott O., Medora A., Alonzo H., and one pair of twins died young.

3. Elbridge G., son of Capt. William, married in 1842 to Susan Randall, and lives in Red Bluffs, Cal. Children, — Susan, died young; Ellen; Almira; a daughter, born in 1860, whose name is not given.

6. Newell B., son of Capt. William, married, Nov. 10, 1820, Frances Libbey, and settled in Vassalborough. Children, — Willie T.; Newell S., who died young; and a daughter, born in 1860.

6. Hannah, daughter of Capt. William, married in 1844 to Joseph H. Carlton, and settled in Berlin, Wis. Children, — Roxanna R., Emma, Frances.

6. Bradford Y., son of Capt. William, married in 1847 Frances Stevens, a sister of his brother Benjamin's wife; and is in California. Children, — Franklin L., born June 26, 1848; Clara H., July 21, 1850; Arlenza, June 9, 1852; Etta Ann, Sept. 20, 1859.

6. Hannah, the daughter of Enoch Brown and Sally S. Reed, married William T. Libbey. Children, — Felicia, Edward, Mark, and William T.

Samuel, the son of Capt. William (noticed on p. 181), settled in Mason, N.H.

William, the son of Capt. William, settled in Boston.

Asa, the son of Capt. William, married Polly Wright. Children, — Lucinda, born Nov. 8, 1800, married James Hutchinson of Wilton, N.H.; James G., born March 6, 1802, married Sophia Woods; Abigail, born May 8, 1803, married Capt. William P. Woods, and had a daughter Harriet; Julia, born Nov. 23, 1804, married George W. Parker, and had four sons (she died in 1836 at Nashua); Asa, born March 19, 1807; John L., Feb. 25, 1810; Luther W., March 8, 1812.

Asa, the son of William and Polly, married Priscilla French. Children, — Sarah B., born March 1, 1831; Angelina M., April 6, 1833; Hannah S., April 16, 1835; Franklin L., 1837; Mary M., 1839; Charles H., September, 1841; Caroline E., Feb. 3, 1845.

John L., son of Asa and Polly, married Lucy A. Green, and lives at Thornton's Ferry, N.H. Children, — Lucy J., born April 8, 1838, married Henry Wilson; Mary A., born July 5, 1839; Ellen E., June 21, 1847, married Phineas Collings; John G., born April 3, 1843; Sarah E., Aug. 24, 1844; Caroline Z., Oct. 7, 1845; Eliza F., May 17, 1847; Charles F., Aug. 19, 1848; Louis J., Aug. 3, 1850; Harriet, April 16, 1855; George L., Oct. 31, 1857. Lucy, the wife of John L., died Dec. 15, 1860, aged thirty-eight years.

Luther W., son of Asa, married Patty Kitteredge, and lives at Merrimack, N.H. Children, — Adeline, born Oct. 24, 1836, married Augustus Crocker; Lucretia J., born April 11, 1838, married David T. Jones; Clarissa H., born Jan. 11, 1840; Luther, July 4, 1842.

The subject of the following sketch is of no blood relation to Reeds or Reads; but the intimate connection between his Puritan ancestor and the first John Read of Rehoboth, with the interest he has manifested in this work and the assistance rendered by him, makes it proper to insert the following genealogical account: —

Rev. Samuel Newman, son of Richard; and Sybil, daughter of ——.

Parents' Christian Names.	Town and State of Birth.	Born A.D.	Died A.D.	Date of Marriage, and Remarks.
Samuel .	Banbury, Oxfordshire, Eng. . . .	May 10, 1602	July 5, 1663	Dec. 25, 1623, at Banbury, Eng.; and removed to America in ship "James," from London, 1635. [Mather at fault.]
Sybil . .	Banbury, Oxfordshire, Eng. . . .	Nov. 21, 1604	Nov. 2, 1672	
Children's Christian Names.	**Town and State of Birth.**	**Born A.D.**	**Died A.D.**	**When and to whom married.**
Samuel .	England	July 6, 1625	Dec. 14, 1710	Bathsheba Chickering, Dec. 6, 1659.
Antipas .	England	Oct. 15, 1627	October, 1672.	Elizabeth, daughter of Gov. Winthrop, 1658.
Noah . .	England	Jan. 10, 1631	April 16, 1678	Joanna, daughter of Rev. Henry Flint.
Hopestill	Weymouth, Mass.	May 29, 1641	March 7, 1674	Rev. George Shove, first of Dorchester, then of Taunton.

NOTE. — Rev. Samuel Newman was educated at Oxford University, Eng. He was minister at the chapelry of the parish at Midhope, about a dozen miles from Sheffield, in Yorkshire. He removed to America in 1635; paid a short visit to Dorchester, and settled over the church at Weymouth. In 1644, he, with most of his church, removed to a new purchase, where he was the first minister and founder of the town, which he named REHOBOTH; where he died at the age of sixty-one. He

was a pious, hospitable, and learned divine. He was the author of a large Concordance of the Bible, the first of much extent in the English language, published at London in 1658,—a rare work, and of great labor; and the third known copy now in the world is the one he reserved for his own use, and is now in the possession of a descendant in the seventh generation (S. C. Newman, Esq., of Pawtucket, R.I.).

The oldest son (Samuel, as above) was a prominent citizen of Rehoboth; for several years the representative of the town at the General Court at Boston; was deacon of the church which his father had founded; and died at the age of eighty-five.

The second son (Antipas) was minister of Wenham: his wife was a daughter of Gov. Winthrop, of the Massachusetts Colony; and, after this son's death, his widow married a son of Gov. Endicot. The third son (Noah) succeeded his father in the ministry at Rehoboth, and died in that office: his wife was a daughter of Rev. Henry Flint, minister of Braintree; and her mother was Margery, sister of Rev. Leonard Hoar, third President of Harvard University. Hopestill, the fourth and last child of Rev. Samuel Newman, became the wife of Rev. George Shove of Dorchester, who was settled as the third pastor of the church at Taunton, of which he was the founder; and his family, of the old staid town of Rehoboth, Mass., which has since become, by division, the mother of seven towns, each of which now contains a much larger population than did the mother herself, when, in 1692, she gave her first child (Attleborough) its dower and freedom.

The following is a lineal descent from Rev. Samuel Newman to S. C. Newman of Pawtucket, R.I., author of a genealogical chart of the descendants of John Read of Rehoboth, and several other genealogies. This line were all born at Rehoboth; and it may be remarked, that the founder of that ancient town was the friend and pastor of John Read, who removed from Weymouth with him to Rehoboth, as referred to at p. 186.

A LINEAL TABLE FROM REV. SAMUEL NEWMAN.

Generations.	Names.	Born.	Died.	Aged.	Had Children as below.
1	Rev. Samuel . .	May 10, 1602	July 5, 1663	61	Three sons and one daughter.
2	Dea. Samuel . .	July 6, 1625	Dec. 14, 1710	85	Four sons and four daughters.
3	Dea. Samuel . .	Feb. 21, 1662	June 25, 1747	85	Three sons and three daughters.
4	Dea. Samuel . .	July 30, 1699	Dec. 8, 1762	63	Four sons and one daughter. He had three wives.
5	Samuel	March 22, 1738	July 10, 1822	84	Six sons and four daughters. One daughter living in 1858.
6	Samuel	Oct. 12, 1777	July 15, 1832	55	Three sons and two daughters. One son and one daughter living in 1858.
7	Sylvanus Chace	Feb. 5, 1802	Living in 1858		Three sons and one daughter. One son living in 1858.
8	Samuel	Jan. 13, 1843	Living in 1858		

John Winthrop, jun., Governor of Connecticut Colony (noticed on p. 36), married two Elizabeth Reads. His first wife was daughter of Edward of Meckford, Eng.; and his second was cousin

to the former, and was daughter of Col. Thomas (noticed on p. 47). Fitz John, the son of John Winthrop, jun., born at Ipswich, March 14, 1639, was son of the second wife. The celebrated Hugh Peters married the widow of Col. Thomas Read.

6. David Reed, son of John and Mary of Bolton, lived in Gardner, Mass.: his wife was Naomi Wright. Children, — Asa, born June 18, 1789, married Rhoda Brooks, Feb. 1, 1820, and lives on the homestead; Abraham, who married Widow Polly Taylor, Oct. 17, 1820, and settled at Pitcher Springs, N.Y.

7. David, who was born Feb. 13, 1793, and died in Westminster in 1855. He married Mary Smith, who died March 3, 1831. Children, — David, Joel, Mary. He married, for second wife, Frances Gill, in 1834. Child, — Frances Ann, born Dec. 12, 1835. David Reed died Feb. 22, 1855.

7. Asa, son of David and Naomi, born June 18, 1789; married Rhoda Brooks of Westminster, and lives on the homestead of his father. Children, — Mary Ann, Rhoda E., David W.

Michael Reade, born in Kilkenny, Ire., in 1742; came to America when young, and settled in Dover, N.H. He was a shipbuilder. He married Deborah Horn. He died Jan. 28, 1812: his wife died May 23, 1839. Children, — Michael, born Sept. 28, 1778; Polly, Dec. 14, 1780, died Jan. 24, 1846; William, born April 14, 1783, and was lost at sea, Dec. 6, 1808; Nancy, born July 31, 1785, and married William Perkins; Sally, born March, 1788, died Oct. 17, 1853; Lydia, born July 14, 1793, married John Tapley of Danvers, Mass.

Thomas Reed, of Virginia, had a brother Jacob. Thomas married in Indiana, and settled in Kentucky. Children, — John; George W., who lives in Indiana; William F., of Texas; Thomas, of Indiana; David and Jonathan, of Illinois.

John, the son of Thomas, married Mary A. Short, and is postmaster of Monegan, St. Clair County, Miss. Children, — Elizabeth M., born June 28, 1849; George S., Sept. 2, 1850, died Sept. 17, 1855; Catherine, born Oct. 15, 1851, died Aug. 17, 1852; Margaret Jane, born March 20, 1853; William, April 11, 1854; Martha E., Feb. 23, 1856; John F., Feb. 10, 1859.

1. John Reed, of the Scotch-Irish stock, settled in Topsham, in the State of Maine. He had brothers, William and David. Children, — William, John, David.

2. William, the son of John, married Mary Dunning, a relative of John H. Dunning, otherwise Lord Ashburton. Children, — James, William, John, Robert, Thomas, David, Susan, Martha, Mary.

3. John, the son of William and Mary, married Lettice, and settled in Harpwell. He was a payer of direct taxes in Harpwell in 1798. Children, — Joseph C., William, Mary, Lettice, John, Charles, Arthur, Susan.

4. John, son of John and Lettice, married Alice, and lives in Benton. Children, — William, Mary, Isaac, Susan, Lettice, Alice.

Further Notice of Silas, of Rootstown, O.; and his Descendants.

Silas (who is noticed on p. 220) was the son of Jacob and Lydia (see pp. 530 and 531), and grandson of Josiah and Elizabeth (noticed on p. 217). He was born Oct. 21, 1752.

Jacob Reed, the eldest son of Silas, was born in Ellington, Conn. He removed his family to Rising Sun, Ind., in 1815; while he constructed the steamboat "Pike," at Louisville, with which he entered the port of St. Louis in July, 1817, — it being the *first* steam-craft that ever landed there, or stemmed the current of the Mississippi above the mouth of the Ohio. He afterwards owned the "Franklin" and "Yankee," steamboats; the former being sunk in the Mississippi while he owned her. He settled in St. Louis, 1817: and, in 1820, he, as captain of one of his steamers, and his son (Dayton) clerk of another, sailed from St. Louis to New Orleans; and both died there, in September of that year, of yellow fever. His wife died the year after, and left the family orphans from that time. His children were seven in number, born in the order named, — Emeline, Dayton, John Harris, Parma, Milton, Julia Ann, and Wallace.

Emeline, born in Ellington, Conn., about 1800; was married to —— Cook of St. Louis, who died soon. She afterwards married Dr. —— Chandler of Jacksonville, Ill. He removed to Warsaw, Ill., about twenty-five years since; where he still resides, engaged in farming and in practising medicine. They have several children.

Dayton, born in Ellington, Conn., about 1802; died in 1820, at New Orleans, of yellow fever.

John Harris, born in Rootstown, O., about 1805; learned the

printing-business in the St. Louis "Missouri Republican" office, and then started a newspaper at Little Rock, Ark., about 1832; where he married, and has left a wife and several children. He has been dead some years.

Parma, born in Rootstown about 1807; married Asa Wilgus of St. Louis, who emigrated from Kentucky. He started in life a mechanic, became wealthy and influential, and is now living at St. Louis. Parma had no children; and died at St. Louis in July, 1859.

Milton, born in Rootstown about 1809; learned a trade at St. Louis; married at Shawneetown, Ill.; and is now dead. His widow and only child (a daughter) live at Paducah, Ky.; she having married again.

Julia Ann, born about 1811; never married; and lived with her sister, Mrs. Wilgus, at St. Louis, until her death by cholera in May, 1849.

Wallace, the youngest child, born about 1815, is a large farmer near Warsaw, Ill.; and has several children.

Abraham Reed, born in Ellington, Conn.; married Sally Hitchcock of same place, and left a large family of children, all of whom are now residing within sight of the old homestead, except two daughters (one dead, and the other residing in Racine, Wis.). His children were nine in number, born in the order named, — Emily, Horace, Maritta, Pomeroy, Mary Ann, Otis, Jerusha, Julia Ann, and Dayton.

Emily, born in Ellington, Conn., in ——; married James Wright of Coventry, Conn., at Rootstown, in ——; and has four or five children.

Horace, born about 1805; resides in Rootstown; married Miss Louisa Baldwin of Atwater, and has several children settled around him.

Maritta married a farmer (James Austin) at Rootstown, where they now reside, and have several children.

Pomeroy married Esther Chapman of Rootstown, where he still resides as a farmer, and has no children.

Mary Ann married Marcus Spellman of Rootstown, a farmer. They have two children (son and daughter), and all live in Rootstown.

Otis, married to Marissa Spellman, is settled in Rootstown as a

farmer, and has four children (one a daughter, who married and settled last year in Kansas).

Jerusha married Nelson Pendleton, and settled in Racine, Wis., a few years since, as a merchant and trader.

Julia Ann married Dr. Joel Burnett, now of St. Louis; and had one son. She is dead.

Dayton married Ellen Barnum of Rootstown, where he now lives as a trader, and has four small children.

Mary, third child of Silas Reed, was born at Ellington, Conn., in ——. She married Josiah Strong of Middle Haddam, Conn.; who removed to the State of New York about A.D. 1800, and settled sixty or seventy miles west of Schenectady, "on the Turnpike" of that day. This is all we know of him or his family.

Charles Reed, fourth child of Silas Reed, was born at Ellington, Conn., May 1, 1783. He removed to Rootstown, O., with his two older brothers, in the fall of 1804; and commenced a farm at that place, on land purchased of E. Root of Hartford, Conn. On the 6th of July, 1806, at Deerfield, Portage County, O., he married Miss Rejoice Diver, a native of Blanford, Mass., who had removed to Ohio with her father (Daniel Diver) in the fall of 1803. In January, 1807, her brother Daniel had both eyes shot out by the Indians, and lived until 1851. A few years after, he removed to and settled permanently in Deerfield upon a farm, where he still resides (1860), the only survivor of the family of Silas Reed of Connecticut. He enlisted as a soldier in the war of 1812, started for the head-quarters of Gen. Hull in the North-west, took sick on his way out, hired a substitute, and returned to his family. He had eleven children, as follows, — Silas, Mary, Charles, Harriet, Daniel, Calvin, Almena, Warren, Winchester, Alcinda, and Julia.

Silas, born in Deerfield, May 29, 1807; went to Cincinnati in 1827 to study medicine in the Medical College of Ohio. On the 5th of April, 1829, he married Miss Sarah Flannigan Ogden of New Haven, Conn., at the residence of her uncle in Stow, Portage County, O. (Judge William Wetmore). He removed to Cincinnati to practise his profession, where he graduated; and, on the breaking-out of cholera in 1832, he was appointed one of the two physicians to the Cholera Hospital by the City Council of Cincinnati. His colleague was the late Dr. G. Bailey of the "National Era" at Washington, D.C. In 1833 and '34, he edited and published the

"Western Medical Gazette." In 1835, he purchased an interest in Dr. D. Drake's "Western Journal of the Medical and Physical Sciences," and became co-editor with Prof. Drake. In the spring of 1837, his (Silas Reed's) wife died; when he removed to St. Louis, Mo., with the intention of founding a medical institution in that city. On the 15th of May, 1838, he married, at St. Louis, Miss Henrietta M. Rogers of Boston, Mass. (sister of John H. Rogers, No. 1, Tremont Street, of that city). In March, 1839, several of his letters, addressed to Hon. Amasa Walker of Massachusetts on the subject of a continuous line of railroad from Boston to St. Louis, were published in the "Boston Post," in which he predicted the completion of such road within fifteen years; and in March, 1854, it was realized by the arrival of Eastern cars on the banks of the Mississippi, at Alton, and Rock Island. In 1841, he was appointed by the President of the United States surveyor-general of the public lands of Illinois and Missouri; which office he held until 1845. For several years afterwards, he engaged in mining and smelting copper at Stanton, Franklin County, Mo. He is now in the land and real-estate business at St. Louis. He had six children.

Ogden, born Jan. 29, 1832; and died at Cincinnati, Sept. 18, 1833.

Isabella Ogden, born at Cincinnati, 1834; and married to Joseph Robison of Dubuque, Ia., in 1856; where she now lives, and has one daughter, Clara E., born November, 1858.

Clara James, born April 16, 1840; not yet married.

Edwin, born July, 1843; died July, 1844.

Mary, twin of Edwin, born July, 1843; died July, 1844.

Silas, born May 16, 1845; died Feb. 6, 1846.

Mary, born at Deerfield, O., April 8, 1809; married in 1834 to Mason Gibbs, merchant at Deerfield (formerly of Cheshire, N.H.), where both still reside. They have only one child living, — a daughter, Julia Alice, not yet married. Rosella Adelaide, born ——, died ——.

Charles, born June 18, 1812; graduated in medicine at Cincinnati in 1835; married Miss Ann Canfield at New Philadelphia, O., February, 1839; practised medicine there and at Massillon, O., several years. Removed to Fairfield, Ia., in 1856. Had four children, — Charles, Mary, George, and Henry. Mary is dead. The three sons are living with their parents.

Harriet, born May 5, 1815; married Dr. Jonathan Gibbs of New Hampshire in 1838; now lives at Omro, Wis.; have three children (daughters), — Gertrude, Mary, and Eveline, — not married.

Daniel, born Aug. 8, 1817; removed to and died near Alton, Ill., Aug. 10, 1837.

Calvin, born July 14, 1819; died at Deerfield, April, 1842; was married to Miss Eliza Cook of Virginia, April, 1838; had two children, — Frances and Edward.

Frances, aged seventeen, was married to Edgar Day of Deerfield, Dec. 9, 1860.

Almena, born Oct. 21, 1821; was married to Edmund Day of Deerfield, June, 1846; had four children, — Edwin, born February, 1848; Charles C., now dead; Mason, born Jan. 28, 1856; Frank C., dead.

Warren, born May 29, 1824; married in 1848 to Augusta Day at Deerfield, O.; removed to Metomen, Fond-du-Lac County, Wis., April, 1854; has four children, — Josephine, Albert, Henry, and Frederick, — all living.

Winchester, twin-brother of Warren, born May 29, 1824; and died same year.

Alcinda, born Oct. 8, 1827; died at Deerfield, July 25, 1856.

Julia, born April 28, 1832; died Dec. 27, 1833.

Lydia, daughter of Silas, married George P. Collins of Ellington, Conn., who removed to Rootstown, O., thirty-five or forty years since; became a farmer, and had seven children, — John, Mary, Maria, Orry, Sally, Charlotte, and Selden. The parents are dead.

John Collins, a farmer, married, and lived in Rootstown until 1859; then removed to Mantua, Portage County. He has several children: the oldest, Nelson, is married to Miss Spellman of Rootstown.

Mary married A. Case of Rootstown (a farmer), and settled there.

Maria married —— Bradshaw, farmer, of Rootstown; and is settled there.

Orry married —— Chapman of Rootstown; and now lives at Berea, O.

Sally and Charlotte married, and removed to Michigan.

Selden married Miss Bosworth of Rootstown, where he yet resides, — a farmer.

Timothy, sixth child of S. Reed, born in Ellington about 1786; married Miss Elizabeth Burdick of that place; and removed with his step-father to Rootstown, O., in 1812. A few years after, he settled in Canton, Stark County, O.; where he was many years high-sheriff of the county. He then settled as a merchant at Paris, Stark County; where he died about 1835. His widow and three children removed to Marshall, Clark County, Ill.; where she died some years since. The children were — Herbert, Mortimer, and Clarine; all yet living at same place.

Herbert married in Wellsville, O.; settled and resided several years in Cincinnati as a wholesale merchant; and then removed to Marshall, Ill., where he is an extensive dealer in pork and produce. He has one daughter, not yet married; her mother being dead.

Mortimer married in Paris, O.; and is now a merchant at Marshall, Ill. Has several children.

Clarine married Mr. —— Barber of Paris, O. They live at Marshall, Ill.; and have several children.

Sally, seventh child of Silas Reed, married David Kneeland (from Vermont) at Ellington, Conn.; and removed to Ohio (Rootstown) in 1812 with Mr. Goodrich. He removed to St. Louis with Jacob Reed in 1817; thence, a few years aftewards, to Opelousas, La.; and, about the year 1836, removed to Denmark, Ia., and settled on a farm, where he died about 1841. Sally died about 1850. They had three daughters.

Lory, the oldest, is married to —— Harrison, late sheriff at Opelousas, La.; and still lives there. They have several children.

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ERRATA.

Page 42. — "Samue Smith" should read, "Samuel Smith."

Page 73. — The date of the death of the wife of Daniel Reed, 1703. He married Susanna Johnson, June 6, 1704.

Page 76. — Mary B., daughter of Luke, "born in 1801," should read, "born June 22, 1802, and married Oliver Bacon; Luke, born July 22, 1804, married Martha Fay; Abigail, born Aug. 12, 1806, married Caroline, March 31, 1809; Delphina and Delphia, born Jan. 15, 1815, — Delphina married George Trull; Delphia married John D. Carlton." "Carolina and Delphina" should read, "Caroline Delphia."

The name of "Tuft," as connected with the Reads of Mendon and vicinity, should read, "Taft."

Page 145. — Instead of "Benjamin, son of Benjamin and Bethiah," it should read, "Hammon Benjamin died in 1860, aged seventy."

Page 171. — The "three" friends spoken of should read, "two:" they were John Hancock and Samuel Adams.

Page 201. — "John, son of Ebenezer and Sarah," should read, "John, son of John and Sarah;" and all in relation to him, on the last section of p. 202, has reference to John, the grandson of Josiah, and his descendants.

Page 217. — "Josiah, the son of Samuel and Hopestill," should read, "Josiah, the son of Josiah and Grace." — "Elizabeth Amsdon" should read, "Elizabeth Armsdale."

Page 311. — Read "Bashna" instead of "Bushnon."

Page 321. — The birth of Phillip, "1741," should be "1641."

Page 529. — The birth of William, the son of Josiah and Elizabeth, "1770," should read, "1670."